

Farming by Electricity.

SWEDEN NOW RUN BY ELECTRICITY.

STOCKHOLM (Associated Press).—Electricity has conquered one-third of the entire cultivated area of Sweden, according to the latest official reports. The country continues electrifying at the present rate, it will only be a few years till almost the whole country will be run by electricity. Most of the farms within the electrified area are now tapping the new source of energy, and nearly all the power used in the daily labor on these farms is derived from the high-power lines which span whole sections of the country. Large power stations deliver most of the electric energy used in the rural communities; but in many places the farmers themselves have installed turbines, and built private power stations harnessing for this purpose swift streams and small waterfalls on their own properties. These enterprises, however, are generally co-operative.

FARM LABOR BY MACHINERY.

A great deal of the most arduous farm labor is performed by electrically-driven machinery at a cost far below the cost of machines propelled by steam or horse-power or of hand labor. Water is pumped for cattle by electricity, threshing machines are driven by electric current, timber is sawed by motor power, and farm hands are no longer ordered to cut firewood by hand because it is cheaper to have even that labor done by electricity. Candles have almost disappeared. In many cases grain is dried and cleared by being passed through electrically-driven hot-air fanning machines. It is not uncommon to find on the larger estates electric elevators which lift entire wagon loads of hay or grain and dump them where desired in the barns. One Swedish estate owner has installed an electrically-operated irrigation system whereby a large field can be watered in times of drought. It is now only a matter of a short time till plows and harrows will be propelled by electric power.

German City Once More.

COBLENZ FEELS REDUCTION OF U. S. ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

Coblenz. (A. P. Mail).—Coblenz, once the temporary home of thousands of American soldiers, is again returning to its status as a German city. Within the last four months the American garrison on the Rhine has been reduced to such an extent that more civilians now are seen on the streets than soldiers, while a few months ago the city had the appearance of an army cantonment in the United States. Commercially the loss of so many soldiers can be felt throughout the American area. With the rate of exchange well over the 200 mark, prices of all kinds of merchandise had been advanced. Now that the bulk of their trade comes from the German population of Coblenz, the stores are forced to reduce their prices to fit the pocket books of their customers. Four months ago there were 15,000 American soldiers stationed in the American area. Within that brief period the force here has been reduced by 9,000 men. The American garrison in Coblenz to-day is smaller than the German force maintained here before 1914.

How Sound Travels.

In the newspaper accounts of a powder-magazine explosion which occurred recently, estimates of the distances at which the sound of the report could have been heard were given as 45, 70, and 100 miles.

The properties of sound-waves are not yet very clearly understood, as these varying opinions show, and it is extremely difficult to judge the distance a sound travels. We do, however, know something of the carrying power of the more ordinary sounds. Take the human voice, for instance. It has been found that a "hefty" voice will carry quite 1,200 yards. The ordinary average voice, however, will not travel much more than 1,000 yards. The whistle of a train engine can be heard nearly two miles away, while the rumble of the train itself carries just over a mile and a-half.

The sound-waves set up by the firing of a rifle carry almost exactly one mile—a similar distance to those caused by the bark of an average dog; and the croak of a frog goes just half-a-mile. Thunder is seldom heard more than 15 miles away from the "clap."

During the Mount Katmai eruption in 1912 the noise was so tremendous as to be heard 750 miles off. This is believed to be a record for sound-travel. Sound moves only at the rate of 1,100 feet per second; so it would have been just one hour after the eruption occurred before the report was heard at the extreme points.

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Bishop Gailor Assailed by Anderson

Another open letter to Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, President of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, regarding his stand on the prohibition question, was sent to the press recently by William Anderson, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York. "Instead of being squelched by your return fire of Scriptural quotations," Mr. Anderson wrote, "I am only the more curious to know what wet ecclesiastics are so ready with texts for the gratification of appetites, and yet so oblivious of those which make clear that obedience to law is essential to any genuine religion. "A clergyman in Massachusetts arose at a banquet and denounced the violation of the prohibition law. A group of clergymen in New Jersey refused to attend a banquet at which their nullification Governor was to speak. Yet you, according to your own statement, recently attended banquets in New York City where the law was flagrantly violated, and as far as the record goes you made no protest either then or later against the violation of the law in your presence, but did attack the law itself. Even if your sense of moral responsibility was not strong enough to prompt you to action, do you recognize no civic obligation as a citizen to protest against the violation of the statutes of States and nation? "If high dignitaries of the Church are not squeamish enough to object to standing with criminals and outlaws in attacking a law, why should they get so fussed up when the light is turned on that fact?"

IN JAIL AND OUT.



WALT MASON

It doesn't seem my heart with joy to see a man in jail; I'm sorry for the erring boy who's left the narrow trail. Some day I hope no man will dwell in here, wardens' keys are clinked, some I hope the prison cell will be a thing extinct. But since we have our costly jails, if they become a part of our justice system sags and falls and law goes galley west. Suspended sentences obtain, amusing sinful gent, paroles make punishment look vain, as vain as twenty cents. No sooner do we send a man to languish in the pen, than able lawyers work some plan, and get him out again. Each day the killers leave their dead, according to the dope, and of a hundred slayers red perhaps one draws a rope. We turn the vicious hoodlums loose with gentle reprimands, and then wonder why the deuce the crime wave still expands. We are too merciful, I fear, and make our law a freak; we sentence sinners to a year, and free them in a week. And then they take their guns and knives, and, filled with bootleg gin, they sacrifice some valued lives, and swell the wave of sin. And while I oftentimes bewail the harm that prisons do, I'd like to see such men in jail, the whole be-sotted crew.

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Fads and Fashions.

Self-fabric flowers and bands of shirring are favorite trimmings for spring dresses.

A typical dance frock has the long fitted waist, full skirt, and panel front and back.

The long coats are quite likely to have wider skirts, and some are distinctly circular.

Narrow silk braid studded with nail heads is used as trimming for the popular cape.

Sleeves are growing tighter, especially since the cape has come into such prominence.

A sports dress of castor-color homespun has collar, cuffs and belt of French blue cloth.

The quaint sleeve puff of finely tucked Georgette crepe is shown on a wool crepe costume.

Crepe dresses are often made with lace yokes, the lace being of the same color as the crepe.

Light grey ratine is combined with tangerine ratine to make a charming outdoor frock.

Large hats show a tendency to be much trimmed, while the smaller hats are very simple in design.

A three-piece costume of white silk ratine includes a gathered capewrap with a collar of alyx.

Dinner

Light dinner some room tables ready for the day on the pier.

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