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PUNCTUATION

A comma is such a meek and unobtrusive little mark that readers are apt to ignore it as useless and insignificant. Yet the insertion of a comma once cost our government \$2,000,000.

In the revenue act of the Forty-second Congress, more than 50 years ago, appeared a clause intended to encourage fruit culture by providing for "fruit plants" to be admitted free of duty.

Instead of a hyphen between the two words, however, the engrossing clerk put in a comma, so the bill, as it became a law, read:

"Fruit, plants, tropical and semi-tropical, for the purpose of propagation or cultivation."

As a result, for a year, oranges, grapes, lemons, bananas, etc., came into this country without tariff, and the loss of revenue through the error was estimated at \$2,000,000.

The incident serves to illustrate the importance of correct punctuation in the writing and printing of the business world.

TO PURCHASE "LIMBERLOST"

The Indiana division of the Izaak Walton League at its annual meeting at Muncie Saturday passed a resolution urging the state to purchase the "Limberlost" home of the late Mrs. Gene Stratton Porter and convert it into a state park. M. L. Gochenour, of Warsaw, was elected a director of the state organization.

LEAVES DAUGHTER ESTATE

The will of Gene Stratton Porter, novelist and naturalist, killed in Los Angeles, early last month in a traffic accident, leaves the entire estate to her daughter, Jeanette Porter Mehan, of Los Angeles.

The estimated value of the estate is \$250,000, providing an income of about \$10,000 a year.

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Pleasant Ridge

Alice and Edward Coy are on the sick list. Mrs. Thomas Coy spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Jane Hine.

Mrs. Ellen Robison called on Mrs. Margaret Strieby Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Mahala Maloy spent Wednesday night with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coy. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Weaver and family.

Maurice Ketting and William Levison made a business trip to South Bend and Mishawaka Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Robinson and son Junior spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Ellen Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Middleton and Mrs. Minnie Colter of Benton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coy.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. John Hurtig that reminded them of their birthday. The evening was spent in sport giving. Mr. and Mrs. John Hurtig blackened faces. Those who enjoyed the fun were Mr. and Mrs. William Hann and two sons, Samuel and Jesses, Miss Blanch Kelberg and Frank Wogman.

McColley's Corners

Louie Richcreek is on the sick list.

George Kregers have a new Radio.

Graham Tyler made a business trip to Warsaw on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gilbert and family visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kregers and family. Mrs. Charles Richcreek and Miss Viola Kauffman called on Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dull on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gilbert and grandson and Mrs. Millicent Miller were Goshen shoppers on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Tyler and Emmitt Gordy spent Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Kregers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richcreek and Mr. and Mrs. Graham Tyler spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kauffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvie Richcreek, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mock, Ward Robison and Wm. Mock helped with the butchering on Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Firestone.

Those who helped with the butchering on Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kauffman were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richcreek, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Tyler, Miss Annie Rapp, Arnel Miller and Ward Robison.

West End

J. P. Dolan spent Friday in Warsaw on business.

Charl Luts spent Thursday in Lagrange on business.

Mrs. Laurie Shellenberger is spending the winter in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Niles spent Thursday in South Bend. Eldon Luts and Eugene Sheffield spent Monday in Warsaw on business.

John Stout and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weybright.

Mr. and Mrs. James Isenaur called on Mr. Wm. H. Weybright and family, Monday.

Mr. Donald Weybright of Napanee spent a few days last week in Chicago on business.

Ray Ogle and family of Goshen Byron Doll and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sheffield.

Dewey Coy bought the James Rothenberger farm north of town on which he will move in the spring.

Little Bobbie Honer of South Bend is spending a few weeks at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Niles.

Tippecanoe

Charles Bigler is able to be out again.

Celia Baugher was on the sick list a few days.

Mrs. J. L. Kline called on Mrs. Pete Grub Wednesday.

Emit Gordy spent Sunday at the George Kregers home.

Charlie Baugher spent Sunday evening with Emit Gordy.

Mr. and Mrs. Esten Kline and children called at the J. Garber home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kline and children were guests at the Stanley Morehead home Monday evening.

Rev. Chester Bralier, Mrs. Bralier and children of Winona, and Mr. and Mrs. Nat J. Kline of North Webster, were Sunday guests at the J. Garber home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kline and children of South Bend, spent a week at the J. Garber home helping care for the latter who has been suffering the past two weeks from an attack of neuritis.

Gilberts

Charles Lutes made a business trip to Lagrange Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Metz spent Sunday afternoon with Crate Beard and family.

The Bethany School began Monday morning with the health officer as their first visitor this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rowdabaugh went to Purdue Sunday and are taking a short course in farming this week.

Mrs. J. W. Rowdabaugh spent the week end in Goshen with her grandmother, Mrs. Pollick, and her father, Mr. Walker.

Mrs. Manley Deeter of Milford is caring for her daughter, Mrs. Raleigh Neff, and children who are recovering from the scarlet fever.

George Wood of Flora, Ind., and well known here sold his farm in Carroll County and expects to buy a small farm near Goshen or Warsaw.

Rev. Vern Schwalm will deliver a sermon at the Bethany church Sunday morning and give a young people's lecture course Sunday evening, everybody welcome.

Mrs. Ellen Lutes Harris of Milford, and formerly of this place is ill at her home. A Fort Wayne specialist was called there for consultation Friday and her many friends are entreating the thought that she will soon recover.

Mrs. Calvin Coopers spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. John McGarity. (Editor's Note—A bird has whispered to us that every time Mrs. Cooper calls Mr. McGarity lies down on the lounge to take a nap or pretends to be sleeping. However, when his wife and Mrs. Cooper converse in a low tone he wants to know what they are talking about. Company should be entertained. John! We advise the ladies to talk loud and keep Mr. McGarity from going to sleep.)

Four Corners

Mrs. Noble Myers was a Goshen shopper Monday.

Mrs. Vick Fuller of Milford, spent Wednesday with Mrs. LaTone Jensen.

Maxine Callender who has been sick for the last week is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Darr, Messdames Geyer and Darr were Goshen shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maloy spent Thursday at the home of Charley Grove of near Leesburg.

Mrs. Henry Geyer is spending some time at the home of her son, Arden Geyer of near Syracuse.

Miss Elva Coy who was called to South Bend by the illness of her sister, returned home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ryman of Milford, assisted Riley Miller at butchering Monday and also called at the home of Clint Callender.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard McSweeney who went to Chicago Heights Thursday to visit relatives and friends, returned home Sunday evening. They made the trip in their auto and report the roads fine.

Solomon's Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Long are on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Stevens are visiting in Coldwater, Mich.

Mrs. Mary Judy called on Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Long Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Pearman were Sunday guests at the home of Anderson Judy.

Albert Miller and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Firestone.

Rev. and Mrs. Elder took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Will Chidister of near Bur Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zimmerman and family spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo Darr.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ettline of South Bend were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Judy.

Mrs. Bertha Hapner and son Kenneth and Mrs. Louisa Hapner were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hire of Ligonier.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Firestone and two sons Lawrence and Lewis were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hushaw.

Sunday School at 10 a.m. each Sunday morning. Preaching services next Sunday morning following Sunday School. A welcome to all is given to attend these services.

J. M. SCHAFER

Chiropractor will be at the Amanda Darr residence, corner Harrison and Henry streets, Tuesday and Friday of each week. Hours 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

Western railroads are protesting against the agreement made by the Southern Pacific system to increase the wages of firemen and engineers. They insist that their earnings on "valuations" are less than 4 percent and incomes do not warrant increased wages.

REPORTS NOVEMBER AS A RECORD MONTH

George N. Mannfeld, chief of the fish and game division of the state conservation department reports November as a record month in the number of arrests and convictions for violation of fish and game laws.

In a report just filed with the conservation commission he shows arrests totalled 517 and convictions numbered 489. Fines and costs amounted to \$9,068.30, the bulk of which goes to the school fund.

Twenty-one cases remain to be tried and seven were dismissed. The four leading offenses during the month were: hunting or fishing without license, 242; taking or possession of fur animals in closed season, 107; hunting on Sunday, 67; and hunting without consent of the landowner, 52. November a year ago was considered the high month according to department records, but it was eclipsed this year by 49.

Mr. Mannfeld in a letter to more than 200 fish and game protective associations of the state working in cooperation with his division to protect yet augment wild game and aquatic life, points out that the division is self supporting, and that in 43 years it has only received an appropriation of tax money amounting to \$108,264. Such appropriations were received prior to the enactment of the conservation department.

During the past fiscal year this division, according to Richard Lieber, conservation director took in receipts, chiefly from the sale of resident hunting and fishing licenses amounting to \$190,976.71. Such licenses sell for \$1 and county clerks who issue them receive ten cents per license for their work, with ninety cents going to the division. During the past year the division from its funds completed a new fish hatchery at Avoca in Lawrence county, and negotiated the purchase of 8000 acres of land in Brown county where a game preserve and reforestation will be conducted simultaneously.

SOIL FERTILITY INCREASED

Kosciusko county is richer yearly by \$200,000 because of the soil fertility produced as a by-product of dairying, according to the Blue Valley Creamery Institute. The figure is based on data resulting from carefully kept records on a considerable number of farms.

The average quantity of manure recovered for use on crop lands in the area studied was 7.4 tons per cow, and since the fertilizing value of a ton of manure is \$2.60 the by-product value of each cow is approximately twenty dollars. The application of this figure to the 10,000 dairy cattle in this county brings the total added value to the soil fertility here to the almost unbelievable figure given above.

In keeping with its better feeding program the Institute estimates that from 25% to 50% greater profit from each ton of feed can be made by local farmers who milk cows through improved feeding methods, alone. This was demonstrated, it states, by the experiment recently concluded by the University of Minnesota. The school's dairy division about a year ago purchased four average cows with available records but without a scientific feeding ration and by merely placing them on a home-grown ration suitable to their needs, increased each cow's production almost forty percent.

"CHAMELEON LAKES"

It is well known that the water of many lakes exhibits characteristic colors. Lake Geneva, at the western end of Switzerland, is blue, while Lake Constance, at the eastern end of that country, is green. Blueness implies purity, since the natural color of water is blue. A green lake has its water slightly clouded with impurities.

It is said that green lakes sometimes become absolutely colorless for a time, and it has been found that this sudden change of hue is due to the washing into the lakes of mud colored red by oxide of iron. Red is complementary to green, and the result of the mixture is that the green color of the water becomes for the time being neutralized.

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WET WEATHER DRIVING

A little care in driving an automobile on a slippery roadway may prevent damage to cars and serious injury to persons, an experienced driver writes. The car should be driven at reduced speed on wet streets. Block pavements are, exceptionally treacherous. The car should at all times be kept under control. Acceleration should be gradual, as a sudden application of power to the rear wheels is likely to cause skidding. Inexperienced drivers should remember that the way to stop a skid is to turn the car in the direction of the skid. That is, if the rear wheels start to the right, turn the front wheels in the same direction. Turning them in the opposite direction only increases the skid. It is not well to throw the clutch alone and apply the brakes. The safe way is to leave the clutch alone and not cut off the gas entirely, but keep the car under power and apply the brakes gradually, if at all.

All of which sounds difficult, but it should be mechanical with the experienced driver. In applying the brakes on a wet street, even though not skidding, it is well to apply them easily. Should the car not respond, but continue with momentum unrestrained, due oftentimes to the rear wheels being locked by the brakes, release the brakes for an instant, then apply them again gradually. It is an easy matter to lock the rear wheels with the brakes on a wet street, since the wheels then have so little traction or gripping power.

It is well to remember that in the fall and winter, streets are wet oftener than dry. An automobile does not always respond to steering, no matter how skillful the driver, so those who would avoid accidents should be sure that the car is under control at all times.

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ED JACKSON NOW GOVERNOR

Indianapolis, Jan. 12.—Ed Jackson became Indiana's thirty-first governor at noon today. He will serve four years.

He succeeded Emmett F. Branch, of Martinsville, who assumed the governorship of the state last May when Warren B. McCray resigned after having been convicted in U. S. District court of using the mails to defraud.

Gov. Jackson is a republican—the fourth consecutive man affiliated with that party to serve as the state's chief executive. He is 52 years old.

Harold Van Orman, of Evansville, also was inducted into office as lieutenant governor today while Mrs. Edward Franklin White was sworn in as reporter of the supreme court.—The first woman in the history of the state to head a state department.

The inaugural exercises were held in the rotunda of the state house amid a riot of colors. Thousands of men, women and children were gathered around the speakers' stand.

Following the formal exercises, during which Gov. Branch delivered his valedictory and the new office holder spoke, a reception was held in the executive chamber.

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