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STOCKHOLM PROFESSOR IMPROVES ACOUSTICS

Masters Sound-Waves and Achieves Big Results In Swedish Assembly Halls.

(Canadian Press.)
STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 26.—H. Kreuger, professor in building technique at the Royal College of Technology of Stockholm, has reached a series of remarkable results in mastering the elusive sound-waves, and has also been able to remodel and to improve the acoustics of large concert and assembly halls in Sweden by his new methods, according to recent announcements.

In order to define the sound isolating qualities of different building constructions, the professor has invented new devices, capable of measuring the volume and strength of the sound within wide limits, from very strong sound down to those that are hardly audible to the physical ear. By means of these instruments, constructed at the department for building technique of the College of Technology, it has been possible to photograph the sound waves, to define their special characteristics and to investigate the transmission of the sound through different walls, doors, windows, pipes, etc. In this way the professor has been able to eliminate a number of erroneous notions and theories on the nature of the sound.

Hand-in-hand with this work the professor has also specialized in a different field, the investigating and improving of acoustics in large rooms and halls. Thus, the acoustics of the new concert hall in Stockholm originally turned out to be a considerable disappointment, but Professor Kreuger, through certain comparatively small changes in the structure of the hall, was able to eliminate these drawbacks and to make the acoustics satisfactory to the musicians, and excellent results have also been reached in other well known assembly halls in Stockholm and Gothenburg. Through this work the elusive problem of acoustics seems to have been solved in both old and new buildings.

Professor Kreuger has also performed valuable and successful experiments in the defining of climatic influences on various kinds of building materials and for preserving old buildings from decay. This has led to a request from a well known Indian Prince for the professor to go to India to help in preserving ancient Indian buildings and monuments.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF GRAND DIVISION

The quarterly meeting of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance was held in Kensington on April 18th, with a fairly good attendance. Owing to the absence of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, Bro. A. A. MacLeod, Bro. Ira McKay, of Springfield occupied the chair. Much discussion took place as to the progress the Order had made in the past few months. In some sections public meetings have been held in the interests of Temperance with good results. We still look forward to greater and better times for the Order. The committee on the State of the Order brought in the following resolutions:

1.—That we, the members of the Grand Division, extend to the citizens of Kensington our hearty thanks for the way in which they opened their homes and entertained the delegates in our Quarterly Session. 2.—That we, as a Grand Division, place on record our appreciation of the splendid work done by Bro. Rev. A. A. MacLeod and Mr. W. E. Bentley for the cause of Temperance in the year 1927. We would never repay them for the many sacrifices they have made in behalf of this great cause, and for the untiring efforts put forth by them in winning the great victory of June in the above mentioned year.

3.—We are pleased to know that temperance conditions throughout the Island are steadily improving. From time to time we hear of the good work being done by our Prohibition Inspectors, and by our Customs Officials. Let us see to it that we give to all of these men all the help and encouragement possible. 4.—We are sorry to hear that during this time of crisis, in our temperance work, Mr. W. E. Bentley and Rev. A. A. MacLeod should consider it necessary to tender their resignations as officers of the Temperance Alliance, but although having to endure this great loss, we believe that it will not be long until the passing difficulties will all have been cleared away, and the work of the Alliance be carried bravely forward as in the days gone by. 5.—We regret very much to learn that Rev. A. A. MacLeod, our Grand Worthy Patriarch, may leave this province, and thus sever his connection with the Grand Division. This resignation has not been officially acted on as yet, and we hope Bro. MacLeod will be able to stay a while longer so that under his leadership the work of the Grand Division will be brought to a brighter state of completion. 6.—Looking toward the future, we wish to place ourselves as a Grand Division on record as stating that we believe that the taking of the coming plebiscite slated for 1929 is not necessary. The electors of P. E. Island have spoken already, and we believe that their verdict should be left untouched. 7.—We would beg leave to call the attention of the members of our Local Government to the fact that there is a great need for a better text book on the subject of Temperance for use in the public schools of our Province, a book of much superior type to the one now in use, and we would suggest that a small committee be appointed to wait upon our Government and to discuss this matter with them. 8.—We would call upon our clergymen and Sunday School workers, teachers in public schools, etc., and those interested in the future generations to do all in their power to carry on a campaign of education among our children and young people regarding the evils of intemperance, so that in the days to come the removal of the Prohibition Law from the statute books of our Province would be a thing impossible, and further we would suggest that with this end in

view our clergymen be asked to preach a Temperance sermon at least once a quarter, and also that the Grand Scribe send a copy of this resolution to all of our clergymen on P. E. Island.

Submitted in L. P. & F.,
D. N. McKay,
J. F. Proffitt,
E. Haslam,
R. H. Staver.

Before the close of the evening session the following resolutions were passed unanimously:

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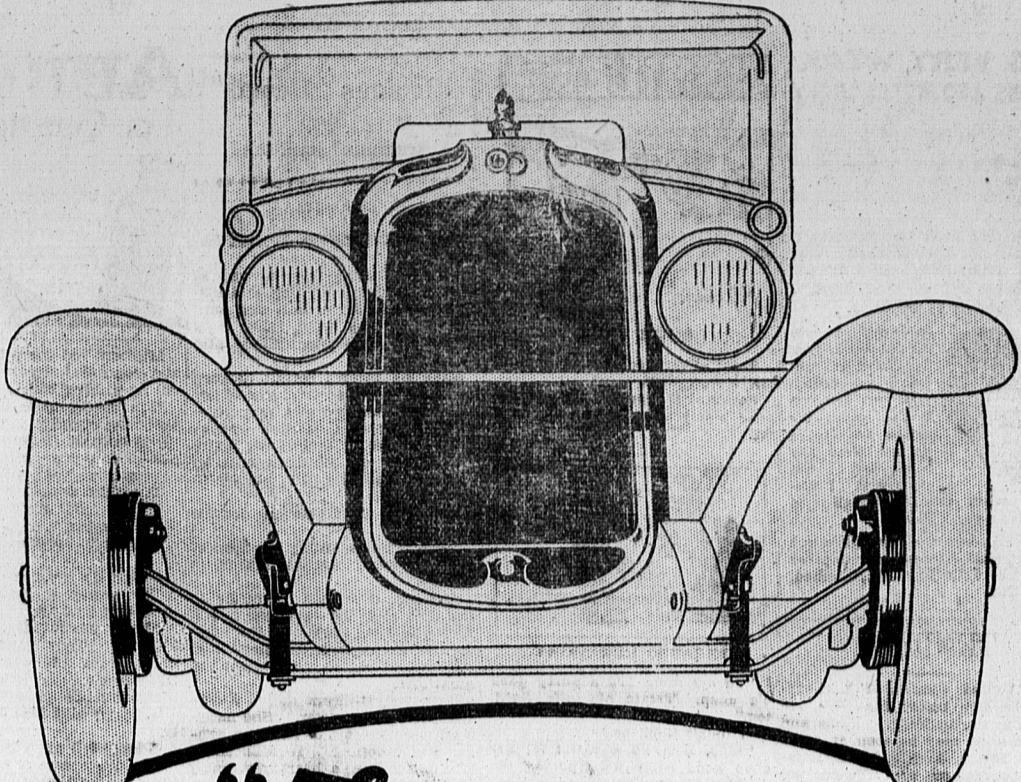
THE ART OF SEED SOWING

When a gardener buys a packet of seeds, usually it bears terse directions, such as "Sow in the warm ground when the weather is warm," "Sow in heat," etc. They sound simple enough, but one accustomed to sowing seed would hardly agree that it is as simple as it sounds. Seed sowing is quite an art in itself, classically learned, but details must be observed for full success. Fortunately, seed is the cheapest commodity on the market, for probably more seeds are wasted through poor methods or careless work in sowing than from any other reason. Knowledge of correct methods of seed sowing undoubtedly would increase the good reputation of seedmen, who are all too often blamed for ill success. The seed in its function as the originator of plant life is a small body, often a very tiny one, which contains a microscopic plant called the embryo with a quantity of food matter stored in the seed and often in the thickened first pair of leaves known as seed leaves or cotyledons which differ from the true leaves of the plant which appear later. Sometimes the stored food supply is missing in seeds. The whole is surrounded by a more or less hard and thick shell or coating. Under proper conditions the embryo escapes from this protection cover and the mature plant results. The escape is called germination. At the start of germination, the primary parts that later become root and stem thrust through the seed covering, the root turning downward and the stem upward. Moisture and temperature are the two factors that control germination, and they are the two factors that must be considered in successful seed sowing. In the mechanics of seed sowing, the first point to observe is never to bury the seed too deeply in the soil. If planted too deeply it may be smothered before it can find strength to thrust through the soil, exhausting at the stored food supply of the seed in the effort. Deep sowing is a most frequent mistake

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LONDON, April 26.—Ibn Saud, the King of the Hejaz and Nejd, who was much in the public eye recently in connection with the threatened Arabian "Holy War", has had one of the most romantic careers of anyone in the history of the near East. He is now the most powerful prince in Arabia, having carved out an empire with the sword and without aid from foreign powers. Left at the head of the down-trodden Wahabis by the abdication of his father in 1906, he surprised Riyadh with a score of followers and was declared its rightful ruler. Having driven the Turks out of El Hasa in 1914 and annexed more territory during the war, he was kept quiet for some years by a British subsidy. But in

1924 he drove Hussein out of Mecca and became master of Central and Northern Arabia.

Ibn Saud's remarkably acute mind and tireless physique, which has given rise to countless stories of his bravery, are undoubtedly responsible for the return to power of the puritanical Wahabis, whose most glorious days ended at the beginning of the last century. Ibn Saud is an autocrat and an aristocrat but, at the same time, a popular hero among the nomad tribesmen.

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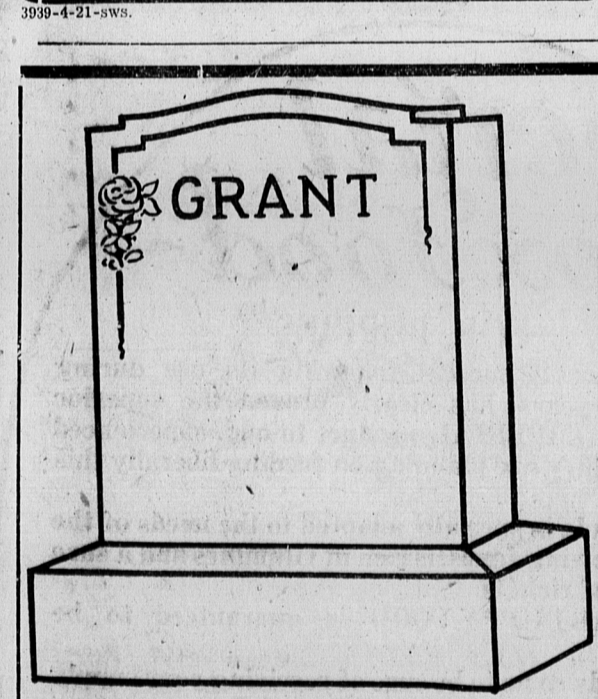
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