

Dinner Stories

SANDLESS GLASS IS NOW BEING MADE AT CORNELL

Germanium Is the Substitute. Extracted From Crude Zinc Oxide, and Has Unusual Refractive Qualities. Ithaca, N. Y., April 26.—(AP)—Sandless glass is being made in the chemistry laboratory at Cornell University.

Wife—Don't you say you'd go through fire and water for me?
Hub—Yes, but I'll be blown if I am going through bankruptcy for you!

Mrs. Smith—My husband calls a spade a spade, you know.
Mrs. Goldie—Well, my husband used to before he tried to spade up the garden.

"Waiter, this water is cloudy; take it away."
You are mistaken, Miss; it's only the glass that isn't clean."

Mother—Eat up your rice, dear.
Little Joe—I don't like rice.

Mother—Well, pretend you like it.
Little Joe—No. I'll pretend I'm eating it.

Customer—Have you any fine-tooth combs?
Clerk—No, but I can let you have some fine tooth brushes.

The teacher gazed sorrowfully at the small boy who had stolen an apple from one of his schoolmates. "Bear in mind, James," the teacher said, "that these temptations can easily be resisted if you turn a deaf ear to them."

The boy looked solemnly at her. "But, teacher, he said, "I haven't got a deaf ear."

Teacher—"Anonymous" means without a name. Now give me a sentence using this word.

—Well—Our new baby is anonymous.

Mrs. Hopkins—So this is your little daughter! How old is she?
Mrs. Joyce—Let me see; she came between little Fido and little Tito.

Mrs. Hawkins—An' ave you made all the arrangements for your marriage, my dear?

Miss Jenkins—Well, not quite all. I've got to buy my trooso, and take an 'ouse, and get me husband a job, and bu' y'm a good suit o' clothes, and get some reg'lar washing work to do. An' then I'm to name the appy day.

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LETTERS

BY CHARLES P. STEWART
NEA Service Writer

Washington, April 26.—Pan-American Congresses of Journalists, like the one Washington has just been having, are good things. All kinds of Pan-American blow-outs which induce representative North and Latin Americans to visit back and forth are good things.

Whether the new glass has properties that will make it of great value for optical purposes is still undetermined, but the results thus far obtained indicate that it has unusual refractive qualities.

Chemists are still puzzled by germanium. They frankly admit that until it was put to work making glass they had not known what to do with it. Even now they are confident it has other and more important uses to which science so far day will apply.

At present Professor Dennis is studying its compounds with a view to determining whether the element has medicinal properties that will make it of inestimable value to man-kind.

Germanium is extracted from crude zinc oxide. In crystalline form it is a glossy, flaky substance resembling zinc, hard and extremely brittle.

It is worth many dollars a gram, and Cornell exhibits the largest mass of the element ever assembled, a round piece, beautifully crystalline, about the size of a silver dollar and weighing 104 grams.

It has been learned that crude zinc oxide can be heated with strong acid under such conditions that a volatile compound of germanium of high purity distills over. This is decomposed by water so as to produce pure germanium oxide, a white powder. Professor Dennis further discovered that ingots of the pure metal could be obtained by fusion of the powder under ordinary salt.

Laboratory tests disclosed that a gram of germanium could be extracted from a pound of zinc, and the production has since proceeded on this basis.

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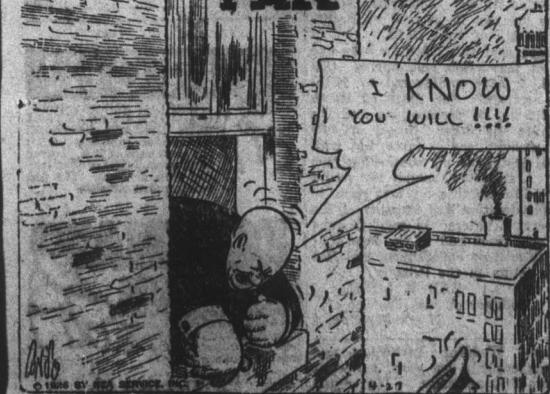
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