

### How Sphinx Looks After Repairs



What is believed to be the fourth time in history, the sand has been cleared away from the Sphinx and repairs have been made, even cracks in the head being filled with cement.

## Crops of 1926 Tough Problem

### Roads Plan Ahead for Fantastic Movement in Farm Products.

Nebraska—Western farmers and railroads are running a race which can swamp the other. Farmers expect to harvest millions of bushels of grain, and the railroads are spending millions of dollars ready to handle one of the biggest farm crops in their experience.

Nebraska is promising between 50,000,000 and 70,000,000 bushels of wheat to handle; Kansas is assuring that of something like 60,000,000 bushels. Oklahoma expects to harvest about 40,000,000 bushels, and Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota will swell the total by hundreds of millions.

Nebraska will furnish the largest amount of wheat, around 200,000,000 bushels. A portion of the crop which is being raised in Nebraska and Iowa, in their turn, will be shipped forward to something like 100 to 400,000,000 bushels; Kansas will produce near to 190,000,000 bushels, and the remainder of the crop will be raised in the western states.

Also Considerable Item.—Wheat, corn, oats, soybeans, etc., can be counted on to be shipped from the fruit from Oregon, Idaho, Washington, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Iowa and Kansas; sugar beets from Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah, etc. live stock from all states and the general production of the country, as well as the tremendous amount of cotton which is shipped into the great Mississippi valley—automobiles, implements, and the thousand and one articles which the west must buy and the railroads to transport them.

As the railroads saw all this, they started their preparations for the immense traffic which would be forthcoming. The Wabash railroad must have immense increase in the automobile cars in December, and these are just now being delivered, for the spring business. The Santa Fe already owned about 6,000 extra cars.

At Fruit Traffic Gaining.—An increase in the fruit traffic to the Pacific coast is foreseen by the Fruit Express, the fruit line owned by Union Pacific and Northern Pacific railroads jointly. They are buying the Pacific Fruit Express refrigerator cars to add to the present fleet of refrigerator cars which will be delivered in the fruit crop this year.

The Santa Fe railroad has under order 1,200 refrigerators for this year's fruit trade, and the Northwestern Refrigerator line has just ordered 1,000 of the same class cars for the 1926 season.

Since last November, western railroads have ordered 12,000 freight cars for this year's crop movement. One thousand of these went to the Union Pacific, 1,000 to the Burlington, 1,600 to the Southern Pacific, 2,500 to the Missouri Pacific, 1,000 to the Northern Pacific, 1,700 to the Frisco route, 1,000 to the Santa Fe, 600 to the Soo line, 2,000 to the Wabash, and the remainder to scattering lines.

For the 1926 trade there have been 3,000 gondola cars, 500 hoppers, 250 stock cars and 500 general-service cars.

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this year. The Missouri Pacific leads the list with 55.

The Union Pacific has designed and is having built ten huge three-cylinder locomotives, each more than 100 feet long and capable of hauling a train of 100 loaded cars across the mountains from Cheyenne to Ogden at a rate of 50 miles an hour. This big "Union Pacific type" is the biggest departure in locomotives in 25 years.

The remaining locomotives of the 155 ordered are divided between a number of lines.

The Nebraska wheat crop alone will fill 1,000 trains of 50 cars each, with each car loaded with 1,200 bushels, while the Nebraska corn crop will load 2,000 trains of 50 cars each, 1,500 bushels to the car.

Prospects now are that every one of the freight cars the western railroads have ordered will be filled time after time by these western farmers when their 1926 wheat, corn, oats, live stock, potatoes, fruit, sugar beets and other farm products get under way to market, and will be filled time and time again on the return with automobiles, agricultural implements, furniture and clothing, and with the thousand and one things the West has to buy from "farther East."

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### Eagle Badges Awarded Boy Scouts



Sir Robert S. S. Baden-Powell of London, dubbed by the boy scouts organization the "chief scout of the world," pinned Eagle badges, emblematic of the highest attainment in scouting, on the breasts of 43 scouts in the presence of 10,000 picked scouts of Chicago and surrounding states in an elaborate ceremony at Dexter Park pavilion, Chicago. Our photograph shows seven of the scouts who received the Eagle badges.

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### High Cost of Being Born Limits U. S. Birth Rate

Berkeley, Calif.—The high cost of being born is partly responsible for the declining birth rate in the United States, a state economic research organization here has reported.

### Back on Job

Ossining, N. Y.—Sing Sing's theatrical director is back on the job after a vacation of thirteen months returned to a cell for violation of parole.

## IT WAS A MATTER OF RELATIONS

By DONA REED  
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"WELL?" questioned Reba, as Sadie opened the door of the top-floor back that she shared with her sister.

Sadie dropped on the iron bed and wearily threw her hat on the trunk. "The judge said if I don't marry Morris by June 25 I got to give him back the ring," she reported listlessly. "He did, did he!" raged Reba. "Don't let him scare you. You can get married when you feel like it! A fine fellow, Morris is, bringing you to court!"

Sadie's dark eyes flashed. "Morris is all right," she asserted stoutly. "I don't blame him for getting tired of waiting."

Reba looked at her anxiously. "You ain't thinking of marrying him yet, Sadie? You know how it'll look if you get married first—like nobody wants me. Mr. Mendel won't want me then, neither." She suddenly burst into tears. "Nobody—does—want—me!"

Sadie went over to her sister, patted her hands and kissed her. "There, now, what're you crying for? You know I wouldn't get married before you do. And you're crazy when you talk that way. Twice I saw Mr. Mendel today and he asked for you both times. I think maybe he wants to take you out again this Sunday."

Reba smiled through her tears and blushed faintly. Mr. Mendel owned a gent's furnishing store and appeared rather interested in the elder Miss Welsman. It was three years since Mr. Mendel and Reba went out for the first time, yet his interest never seemed to rise to the proper pitch. Sometimes Reba would note an unusual friendliness in his manner, but after these occasions, he did not appear again for three weeks, evidently hoping that in the interval, Reba would forget his rash cordiality. She never forgot, but these intervals of silence served their purpose and killed any faring hopes she may have entertained.

Sadie was disgusted with Mr. Mendel's noncommittal attitude. Although Morris did not know anything about it, Sadie and Morris were waiting upon Mr. Mendel. Sadie often raged at him in secret. She hated the ragged four-fur furnished room which she and Reba shared. She hated the dingy office where she kept the books. She wanted to marry Morris and keep house for him and darn his socks, but she dared not let him know how she felt—all because of that cheap-skate, Mr. Mendel, who was afraid to get married!

June 24 arrived and Mr. Mendel hadn't proposed.

That evening, Sadie and Morris walked disconsolately through the park, oblivious of the new moon that shone through the swaying trees, oblivious of the soft breeze that played through their hair. The light of an electric lamp caught the light of the diamond on Sadie's finger and kindled a thousand small fires, as she absently moved the ring back and forth with her thumb. Morris frowned and drew her down on a bench beside him.

"Sadie," he said desperately, "you waited until the last day, but you'll marry me tomorrow, won't you. My boss said he'd let me have a week for a honeymoon whenever I wanted it, and Reba could look for a flat for us while we're away!"

He was so eager and so dear to her that way that she brushed a light kiss on his cheek. He kissed her hungrily and she broke away, her voice tremulous. "No, Morris. When I get married I'll pick my own flat. I can't marry you yet. You might as well take the ring tonight." She slipped it off and put it in his hand while she strove to keep back the tears.

"No, no," he said, his voice broken. "You keep it, Sadie-girl. What'll I do with it? Even if you don't want to marry me!"

"I do! I do!" She covered her face with her hands and cried bitterly on Morris's shoulder.

"You want to marry me and yet you won't marry me. If you wanted to, you would!"

"No, I can't," she sobbed. "How many times must I tell you I can't get married before Reba! She's been too good. She kept house for papa. She brought me up. It would hurt her if I got married first, and it wouldn't be right."

"But Sadie, suppose she don't ever get married!" he said, falling back upon an old argument.

"Oh, she will. If Mr. Mendel wasn't so stupid, he'd see what a good wife she'd make."

"Mr. Mendel!" This was the first time Sadie had intimated that Reba was looking upon Mr. Mendel as a possible husband. Morris had encountered him on two occasions when he

wanted to take Reba to the "movies," but Morris had never thought of a match between the pair. "You think he wants to marry her?"

"How should I know! For three years now he takes her to the 'movies' and looks at her as if he wanted to ask her something, but don't. He makes me sick!"

"The poor fish!" exclaimed Morris, catching her indignation. "Sadie-girl, I'm going to find out what's the matter with him!"

"You better not, Morris. That's why I didn't tell you before. You might make a botch of it, and then he won't marry her at all."

"Sadie, I ask you, did I ever make a botch of anything?" he boasted. "You leave it to me."

Sadie smiled wanly and dried her eyes. "Just the same, you better keep the ring yet."

Morris determined to have it out with Mr. Mendel right away. He was in a high state of indignation when he entered Mr. Mendel's haberdashery the next evening. When Mr. Mendel recognized him he exclaimed jocularly. "At last he comes to buy his wedding outfit!" and came out from behind the counter to greet him.

"I didn't come to buy anything," replied Morris, ignoring Mr. Mendel's outstretched hand. "I came to find out when you're going to buy your wedding outfit."

Mr. Mendel thought at first that Morris was being funny, but, no; there was no joke in his scowl or the angry look in his eyes.

The smile on Mr. Mendel's face faded. "I? Why, I ain't engaged!" he cried.

"Oh, you're not," retorted Morris. "Well, isn't it about time you were? Are you going to marry Reba Welsman or aren't you?"

"What business is it of yours? What right have you to come and make this racket in my store? You get out! I don't see you marrying that good-for-nothing kid sister of hers."

"That what?" shouted Morris. "That good-for—"

Before he knew exactly what had happened, Mr. Mendel received a crashing blow under the chin—a blow that sent him sprawling. Sputtering with anger, he picked himself up and started towards Morris who caught hold of his wrists in a vise-like grip.

"You apologize," commanded Morris. Mr. Mendel hastily considered his chances of beating Morris in a fight, felt the soreness of his jaw and deemed it expedient to do as he was bid.

"I didn't mean nothing," he argued. "Sadie's all right, only she makes me mad. If it wasn't for her, I'd have married Reba long ago."

"What has Sadie got to do with you marrying Reba?"

"Do you think I'll have Reba fussing over that sister of hers in my house? My wife should fuss over me. I don't want no relations a-ound. I wait and wait for Sadie to get married but she don't know what she wants—that girl!"

Morris suddenly dropped into a chair and doubled up with laughter. "Why do you laugh, you big fool, you?"

Mr. Mendel immediately regretted losing his temper. He edged away, expecting to receive another crashing blow, but Morris merely continued to roar.

"You won't marry Reba because of Sadie," he cried, "and Sadie won't marry me because of y—she doesn't want to leave Reba! You blame me for laughing!"

"You mean to say that if I marry Reba, Sadie will marry you right away and won't live with us?"

"Of course—you big fool, you!" and Morris laughed again—this time with the joy of realizing it.

Mr. Mendel grabbed his hat. "You stay in the store, hub, till I go over and see Reba."

He dashed out without waiting for an answer. Morris went to the door and watched him running down the street—one hand upraised to hold on his hat, the other nursing his injured jaw.

"A fine brother-in-law!" exclaimed Morris, as he gazed with approval at his closed fist.

### Nested in Lamp Post

A few years ago in a London suburb a pair of blue tits built their nest inside a lamp post. The birds entered just under the glass, but they probably went right to the bottom and made their mossy home on the ground. In this dark but perfectly safe place a large family was reared. The remarkable sequel was that six years later several lamp posts in the district were occupied by blue tits.

### Has Grown With Time

Starting in 1915 with assets consisting principally of a Washington hand press nearly one hundred years old and since that time aided by an appropriation of only about \$500, the University of Oregon Press has grown into a large institution. The new home of the Press, a \$18,000 structure, was financed out of funds which it had earned.

### Blind Keenly Feel Sense of Isolation

The most trying part of being blind—stone-blind, as it is popularly called—is the complete and irremediable sense of isolation. Sight is probably the sense which means more to us than any other. Through the eyes we get our ideas of the world around us and of size and relation of one thing to another—color and light and shade, the glory of the day, the beauty of a moonlight night.

A great part of our communication with other people is carried on by the eyes; sometimes alone—more often as an adjunct of speech and hearing. Normally our senses function together so harmoniously that we do not stop to think of how they act, or their interdependent relations. We just use them.

## POINTS ON KEEPING WELL

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### SWIMMING POOL SANITATION

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY sang of the "O! Swimm'n' Hole" which our fathers and grandfathers used to enjoy. When it is possible, there is nothing that equals a natural, outdoor pool, whether in river, lake or pond. But this is, in most localities, a thing of the past. Our streams have been polluted and, with the filling up of the land and the clearing away of forests, the water supply has been so reduced that only those living near a great river or a large lake can hope to enjoy a nature-made swimming place.

Even in those lucky places where there are still natural swimming pools available, they can only be used during a part of the year. So there is a growing tendency to build artificial swimming pools, either indoor or out. Present-day concrete construction makes this comparatively easy. So that, today, practically all our colleges, many of our high schools and even some grammar schools are being equipped with swimming pools, while cities and parks are building them with increasing frequency. In a recent bulletin of the Iowa state department of health it is stated that, in 1925 alone, over four hundred outdoor swimming pools were built.

Many suggestions might be made as to the construction and management of these pools. But one thing, most important, should always be insisted on. They must be clean. The possibility of disease transmission in a pool in which hundreds and sometimes thousands of people bathe in a single day is too great to take any chance.

There are a number of diseases which may be transmitted from one person to another through common use of a swimming pool. Naturally, any person with a plainly marked case of any infection should not be allowed in a public pool. Any person with a plain case of any skin disease should also be barred. But many persons may be apparently healthy and yet carry on their body or in some of the body discharges germs which may produce disease in others. Not all germs which come from the body are harmful. In fact, many are harmless. But every bather before going into the pool should be required to take a warm bath and the water in the pool should be frequently changed, filtered and, if necessary, subjected to purification by means of ultra-violet light, copper sulphate, calcium hypochlorite or chlorine.

### MAKING A FINGER FROM A TOE

EVERYBODY knows that our present-day surgical methods make it possible to do things to the human body which would have been considered miracles fifty years ago. Yet few realize the almost unlimited possibilities of the future. Ten years ago, Dr. Alexis Carrel of the Rockefeller Institute, in a public talk, said that the day might come when every city would have an anatomical cold storage warehouse, in which would be preserved, in a condition of suspended animation, the arms, legs, toes and fingers of the healthy persons who have been killed by accident, just as spare automobile parts are now kept in machine shops; and that a man or woman who had lost a hand or foot, arm or leg by accident would go to this warehouse, pick out a missing part to suit them, and have it grafted in position.

We have not yet reached the point where this is possible, but we're on our way. In a recent issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, a New York surgeon reported a case in which he mended a man's hand by grafting a little toe onto a middle finger, with perfect results.

The patient, a working man of thirty, while operating a bread-cutting machine, sliced off a third of the middle finger of his right hand. As the cut was clean and fresh, the surgeon proposed grafting a toe on in place of the finger. The patient consented. The man was put to sleep and a cut made through the upper part of the right little toe, through the joint, leaving the toe attached to the foot by the skin and tendons of the under side of the toe. The edges of the cut finger were then freshened and the toe and finger brought together and sewed together. Adhesive plaster and bandages held the hand and foot so neither could be moved. At the end of two weeks, the edges of the finger and the toe had grown together. The under flap, which held the toe to the foot, was then cut, freeing the toe from the foot and liberating the hand. The two cut edges of the finger and toe were then sewed together.

Healing took place without any infection, and the man now has a perfect hand. The little toe is of practically no use and its absence does not show. The man now has a hand which looks perfect and the fingers are all the same length, making it possible for him to do any kind of work. Even more extensive repairs on the body are now possible. It is only a matter of working out practical methods. What the future may hold, no one knows.

### Sense of Smell Changes

Smell is generally regarded as a fixed and inalterable sense. But as a matter of fact it is constantly developing and is the only sense that becomes more acute with age, and also more discriminating.

### Immense Silver Nuggets

A mass or nugget of almost pure silver weighing 300 pounds was found in Peru, and it is claimed that one of 2,700 pounds was extracted from a mine in Mexico.

## SAFFRON SKIN FROM SOUR BILE

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## TEACH CHILDREN HOW TO PLAY SAFELY IN SUMMER

Safety Council Starts Campaign to Reduce Number of Accidents.

Community safety councils in American cities are going to urge parents the importance of teaching their children how to play safely during the present summer, C. J. Scott, president of the National Council, announced. Efforts made to reduce the number of accidents which during 1925 resulted in the deaths of 21,000 boys and more than 7,000 youngsters on the streets and highways at least 30 times as many as during the last year, according to President Scott. Child deaths last year totaled 30,000. The remainder were the result of falls, poison, asphyxiation, and miscellaneous causes.

"During the present school term millions of children have been receiving safety instruction in both parochial and public schools. We are going to continue this kind of work during the summer months when we attempt to have safety talks delivered at parks and playgrounds, public swimming places, motion picture theaters, etc., where children assemble during vacation days. Constructive work of this character should result in a decrease in the number of child accidents."