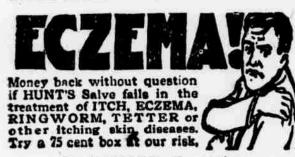
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Physique of Country and City Boys. Under the selective draft law, registrants were given two physical examinations, one by the local draft boards and another by the army surgeons after the men who passed the local board examination reached camp. Analysis of these records of physical examinations shows that the country boys made better records than those from the cities; the white registrants better than the colored, and the native born better records than those of alien birth. These differences are so considerable that 100,000 country boys would furnish for the military service 4,790 more soldiers than would an equal number of city boys. Similarly, 100,000 whites would furnish 1,240 more soldiers than would an equal number of colored. Finally, 100,000 native born would yield 3,500 more soldiers than would a like number of foreign. The importance of these figures may be appreciated by noting that 3,500 men is equivalent to

an infantry regiment at full war

WILL AGAIN HONOR MAGELLAN

Quadricentennial of His Famous Voyage Likely to Be Appropriately Observed in 1921.

March, 1921, will be a good time to visit the Philippines, for it will then be an even 400 years since Fernando de Magalhaes, as he was named in his native Portuguese, although better known, as English usage afterward changed it, by the name of Ferdinand Magelian, first visited the islands, discovering and taking possession of them for the crown of Spain. And plans are new under consideration to celebrate that anniversary in a way to cutdo any celebration ever held in the Orient. One will hear, no doubt. a great deal about Magellan in the next 12 months, and the first navigator of the Pacific will reappear in newspaper columns and magazine articles; nor is it unlikely that his counterfeit presentment will rediscover the Philippines in a proper pageant. The celebration, indeed. comes at an appropriate time, for the Pacific ocean is only just assuming reality in the thoughts of the great majority of Americans, and it provides historic background against which the modern islands can display their products, their development, and their opportunities for the investment of American capital. Like Columbus, Magellan was not seeking new lands for Spain. He set out to find a passage from the Atlantic to the ocean that Balboa had seen some years earlier on the other side of the continent, and having passed through the straits of Magellan, he believed that he was steering for the Moluccas, or Spice islands. And so, incidentally, he found the Philippines.

COMES OF ANCIENT FAMILY

Danish Minister to Iceland Traces Origin to First White Man Born in America.

Information has been received from Copenhagen that the Danish consulgeneral in London, J. E. Boeggild, has been appointed Danish minister to Iceland. Mr. Boeggild is widely known in America, having been Danish consul in San Francisco and Chicago, consul-general in New York and commercial adviser to the Danish legation in Washington.

Mr. Boeggild seems especially fitted for this post, as he has Icelandic blood in his veins. On the maternal side he is descended from the Tulinius family of Iceland, which traces its origin back to Thorfinn Karlsefni, one of the famous Norsemen who discovered America nearly one thousand years ago.

Karlsefni, of whom a statue was recently erected in Philadelphia, was the first white man to settle in America, spending two years in "Wineland," where his wife, Gutrid, gave birth to a boy, who was called Snorri. From Snorr! descended a numerous and distinguished lineage, among whom is numbered the Tulinius family, and the new minister to Iceland can thus lay claim of being descended from the first white man born in America.-Detroit News.

Cook With Oil on Warship. The Hood, the monster mystery battleship, launched from the Clyde the other day, is fitted out with a large oil-fuel cooking galley. For several years past the use of oil fuel has been common in the British navy for propulsion purposes, but its employment for cooking is quite an innovation. The gailey referred to is capable of cooking for 1,200 men. The heat is obtained by means of special burners, which consume the oil under pressure, compressed air being used to atomize the fuel. The result is a white flame of extraordinary heat and cleanliness. which leaves no residue whatever and is easily controlled. There is an entire absence of smell-a usual disadvantage in cooking by means of oiland there is no chance of the food being contaminated:

The Earth's Crust.

The most important scientific investigation of the past year in any country has probably been the attempt to measure the earth's crust. We know very little about the shell on which we live. Scientists have been studying the problem in Hawaii, Tuscany and Salvador, where the opportunities for investigation are especially favorable. Many data new to science have been collected concerning the shell, its composition and probable age. Still other tests have been made in New South Wales, where a great reservoir concentrates an immense weight of water on a limited area, and instruments have been devised to measure the movement of the earth's crust under this weight. New light has thus been thrown on the action of volcanoes.

A Last Resort. His Wife-Mercy me, Hank! You shavin'? I thought you was goin' to wear them whiskers for always.

Mr. Lengbrush-I was goin' to, but we've lost two good table knive; an' I've locked every place else for 'em.

Before the war Japan used to supnly most of the packing cases used for rubber sent out of Burma. Owing to the increased cost and the scarcity of shipping the Burma forest department took up the business, and now supplier, the boxes required, which yield a fair profit, besides benefiting an important local industry.

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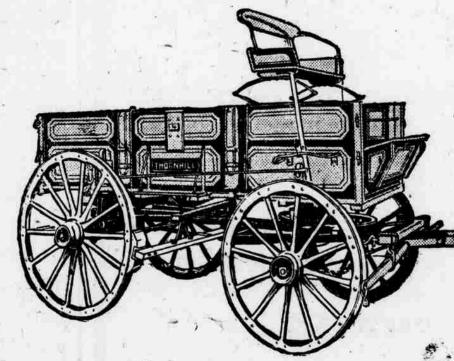
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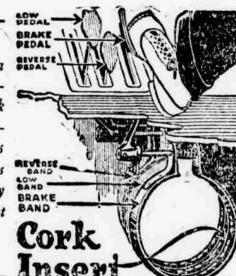
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