

Curiosity Rewarded.
Walking along the sands of Westmouth this autumn (writes a correspondent), I saw a corked bottle which had been washed up by the tide. There was a piece of paper inside, so I drew the cork and tried to extract it; but at last, getting impatient at the way it would not come, I broke the bottle and the message was revealed: "Whoever finds this bottle will find all the beer gone."—London Post.

Square Pegs in Round Holes.
The statement that 90 per cent of all children get into wrong jobs because they have not been taught in present-day schools what they are best fitted for, was made recently at the Pennsylvania educational congress in Harrisburg.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

Another Antigas Invention.
"Neutralizing ointment" is one of the latest war inventions. It is publicly revealed in an official description of the protective devices against gas attacks, now being issued to our troops.
The mask, with its contained chemicals for neutralizing any poisonous fumes that creep in, is familiar. But one so-called gas is a liquid, and because of its blistering effect the soldiers have given it the name "mustard gas."

When an area is drenched with this stuff the menace may persist for many days. The peril is not from the liquid itself. Mustard gas burns through the clothing, and makes painful wounds where the flesh is reached. The newly invented ointment must apparently be rubbed all over the body, as well as on face and hands, to protect the soldier when the enemy's bursting shells are spraying this horrible liquid gas about.—Providence Journal.

Peace Ambassadors.
General Mangin possesses a vein of sardonic humor. When, in the autumn of 1916, he had helped to undo in a few days the work for which the down prince during eight months had sacrificed the flower of the Kaiser's army, at Verdun, Germany launched a peace offensive. Reviewing his men one day, Mangin eyed them over and remarked with a grim smile, "Ah, you're the sort of peace ambassadors the republic wants."

Seeing Life in the Army.
An English soldier who had enlisted in London for two years' service mournfully described his duty as being "to ride a funeral par." Further explanations showed that his time was spent in driving the gun carriage horses at military funerals in London—soldiers, ex-soldiers, veterans, hospital cases, and so on. And he sadly added that the advertisements said, "Join the army and see the world. It's a man's life!"

Marion.—The town of Marion sold \$65,000 worth of school bonds at a premium of \$750. Sidney Spitzer & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, were the successful bidders. This means that Marion is to have a new high school building in the near future.

Greenville.—A social welfare survey is to be made in Pitt county some time in April. F. F. Carter, executive officer of the state department of welfare, and his assistant D. R. Markham were here conferring with County Welfare Superintendent K. T. Gurell.

American Kindergartens Abroad.
From New York city a body of kindergarten workers has started for France. They will strive to bring happiness into the lives of French orphans and to start anew the streams of young folks who must fill the schoolhouses of France. The unit will be under the direction of the Red Cross, with the National Kindergarten association behind it.


Prison Population Increases.
The past fall and winter months, with their increase in unemployment, have resulted in increasing the prison population of the state from a fourth to a third, according to estimates made by prison officials of North Carolina. This applies alike to the prisoners sent to the convict camps of the counties for minor infractions of the law and to the state prison, where the prisoners charged with more flagrant violations of the law are punished.
The heavy increase in the prison population of state prison, together with the bad weather during the past three months, has made it impossible for the prison authorities to collect the full amount they should have collected from prisoners who have been hired out on contract. The prison gets \$1.75 per day for every working day, but the prisoners have to be fed and clothed no matter whether they work or not. And the convicts seem to eat just as much when they do not swing a pick all day as they eat when they are at work. There have been so many days of rain and bad weather that the central prison has been suffering financially. The prison has to feed and clothe the men, and when they do not collect the \$1.75 per day for their services, the prison runs in the hole on the contract.

Evidently Had Wrong Girl.
Bouncer was distinctly irritated when he bumped into somebody along the street, until he found that it was an old acquaintance of his.
"Ha! Just the fellow I want to see," he remarked. "I wanted to ask you whether you ever hear anything of Borem nowadays. Did he marry that girl he was so keen on?"
"No, I don't think so. In fact, I've heard that he's rather fond of going to her house and putting the gramophone on most of the evening, and every time his back is turned to put a fresh record on, Miss Gladey moves the hand of the clock on anywhere from ten minutes to a quarter of an hour."

Lifts Much Water From Lake.
Evaporation of water from Gatun lake, canal zone, reached a new high record during the month of March, his year, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. Calculations show that the sun withdrew 3,248,000,000 cubic feet of water from the body, the equivalent of 1,213 cubic feet a second for the period of 31 days. This was one cubic foot a second in excess of the volume of water passing through the penstocks of the Gatun hydroelectric station, which, during the same month, produced 4,081,000 kilowatt hours of energy. This in turn shows the loss of potential current due to the sun's effect.

Her Record Still Still.
A certain family has a colored servant who, while very attentive to her duties, has never been known to give anybody a civil answer. Purely as an experiment, the lady of the house bought her a new calico dress, and gave it to her, saying:
"I am glad to have the pleasure, Matilda, of giving you this dress."
"Yer mou't hab had dat pleasure long ago ef yer had any regard fo' my feelings," was the gracious reply.—Chicago News.

MRS. HATFIELD SABINA, OHIO
In Pitiable Condition when she Began Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound



Sabina, Ohio.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for weakness and irregularity. I was weak and nervous and could hardly stand on my feet long enough to cook a meal. I was this way for about a year and had tried several medicines and had a physician, but to no avail. My sister was taking your medicine and finally induced me to try it. I now feel fine and can do my housework without any trouble at all. You can use this letter for the sake of others if you wish."—Mrs. WELDON G. HATFIELD, R. R. 3, Sabina, Ohio.

Housewives make a great mistake in allowing themselves to become so weak and nervous that it is well-nigh impossible for them to attend to their necessary household duties.
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound should be taken when you first notice such symptoms as nervousness, headache, weakness and irregularity. It will help you and prevent more serious trouble. Give it a fair trial. It surely helped Mrs. Hatfield, just as it has many other women.

666 Fever, Bilious Fever, Colds and LaGrippe. Cures Malaria, Chills.

WANTED: Salesman with car to call on dealers with low priced 6,000 mile fabric and 10,000 mile cord tire. \$100 a week with extra commissions. Universal Tire & Rubber Co. Michigan City, Indian.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets). It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

Chapped hands and faces needn't bother.

MENTHOLATUM
soothes and heals chaps and chafes quickly and gently

Taxes! Taxes! Taxes!

Positively The Last Call.

The County Commissioners have extended the time for advertising land for Taxes until June 1st, 1922. Positively this is the last extension that will be granted and after this date cost of advertising, etc., will be added. This applies to all alike.

Jas. H. Harris, Shff.

REILLY BLACK PLAYS RAGTIME FOR THE FOLKS.



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PLAY SOME RAG-TIME FOR THE FOLKS, REILLY

YAS SAH!

YES HE'S A WAGONER FOR HIS AGE

GOLLY! I JUST CAN'T KEEP STILL WHEN I HEARS RAG TIME!!

DIS GOON COULD JUST DIE RAG TIMEING!!

WHOOP LA!! DE PIGEON WING FO' ME!!

GOLLY! DIS GOON'S BUSTING SOMETHING BUT DON'T STOP DAT RAG TIME!!

IS DE GOON DAT KIN PLAY RAG TIME!

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