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An opportunity at last to own property in a well developed section of Concord. This property lies near and adjoining the High School property. Quite a number of the houses and lots are on improved streets, with all street assessments paid. This property lies on the following streets:

Cedar, Crowell, Kerr, Isabell, Academy, Odell, Fink, Moore, Glenn, Vance and Elm.

One lot on Crowell street will be given away absolutely free as soon as this property is sold.

For Cash or Easy Terms

SEE D. A. McLaurin, who will be glad to show the property to anyone interested

TODAY'S EVENTS

Friday, April 17, 1925
Centenary of the birth of Smith Ely, representative in Congress and mayor of New York.
Annual observance of Arbor Day in the states of Indiana, Illinois and Colorado.
Kansas Agricultural College today begins a two-day celebration of the semi-centennial of its department of home economics.
Boise, Idaho, is holding a jubilee in celebration of the completion of the main line of the Union Pacific railroad into that city.
All branches of the drug trade are to observe today as "All-Pharmacy Day," when it is planned to complete a \$1,000,000 fund for a headquarters building to house the nation's pharmaceutical interests.
An unprecedented event is planned for Rome today, when, in the "Hall of the Queen" in the Chamber of Deputies, a great reception will be given by the chamber to representatives of the forty countries participating in the international conference on commerce.

A Losing Empire.

Charlotte Observer.
Gen. Walter A. Harris, of Macon, "started the Kiwanis Club of Jackson," by the bold declaration that Georgia is "no longer the Empire state of the South." He maintained that on the one side Florida had grown to be an Empire State and on the other side North Carolina has come into the title. The Augusta Herald takes issue with the general and quotes a speech of "a prominent Georgian at a dinner party in New York," in evidence, and its remarks directed to the pessimistic general might seem to indicate that The Herald regards him as the Bailey of Georgia. It is much pleasant to hear talk of the consolidated Georgia cow, "whose milk would float a cargo of cheese and butter from Savannah to New York," while she grazed on the vegetables at the equator, switching icicles off the North Pole with her tail, meanwhile. Georgia is the same big State as ever, and it has the same handicaps of politics. If she proposes to hold to her title as an Empire, she must first get rid of a surplus of the politics that seotch.

Collections From Gas Tax.

Charlotte News.
During 1924 North Carolina collected \$4,529,000 from the tax of three cents per gallon on gasoline. Out of 35 states having gasoline tax ranging from one to five cents per gallon, she stood fourth in total collections. The states ranking above here were California with \$11,193,000, Pennsylvania with \$9,089,000 and Indiana with \$4,925,000.

Spring Time Is

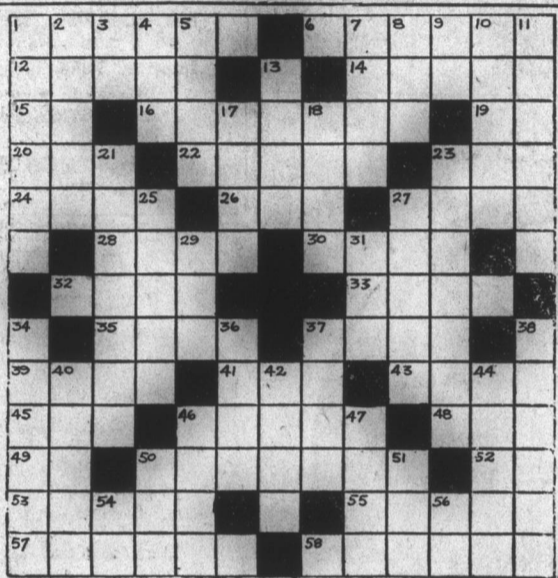
Straw Hat Time

I have just received additional hat blocks and flanges of the latest shapes and styles and can clean and re-block your panama, straw, bankok, leghorn and felt hats. New inside and outside band furnished when requested. Onow is the time for all goo

M. R. Pounds

Dry Cleaning and Tailoring

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



There's only one word in this puzzle that may be new to you. The rest is so easy that no hint will be given to help you find that word. Even then, a puzzle fan should be able to finish the puzzle in ten minutes.

HORIZONTAL

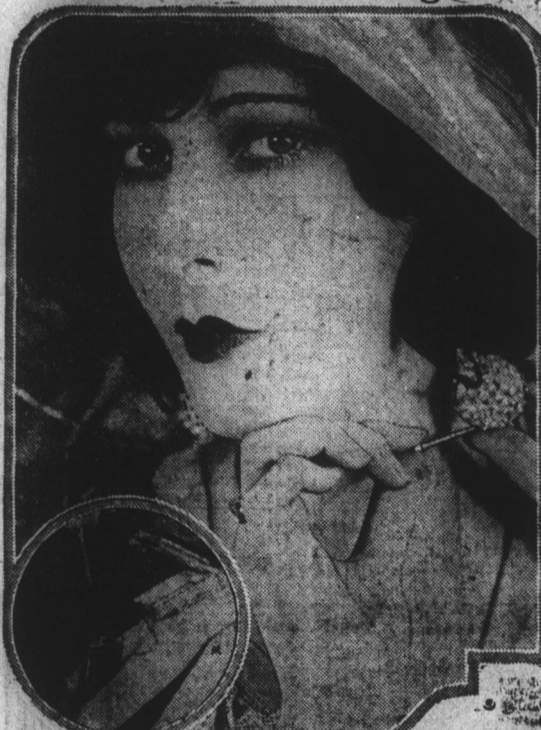
- 1 Levers acted on by the foot.
6 Railway stations.
12 Not tight.
14 To go calling.
15 Like.
16 A predictor.
19 Measure of area.
20 To make an equal score.
22 To trim or dress with the beak.
23 Age.
24 Finishes.
26 A collection of facts.
27 To crack a whip.
28 Indians who now live in Utah.
30 Tense.
32 A blemish.
33 Feathered animal.
34 Affirmative votes.
35 Valleys.
39 Headgear (pl.).
41 Self.
43 Tardy.
45 Peer.
46 Dirty, soft, moist, adhesive substance.
48 Certain kind of lace-making.
49 Myself.
50 Embures.
52 Jumbled type.
53 Sin.
55 Opposite of inner.
57 Conditions.
58 To seek to attain something high or great.

VERTICAL

- 1 Flat China dishes on which food is served.
2 Dyestuff, brownish red powder.
3 Eggs.
4 Venomous snake (Clio's friend).
5 Sweet secretion left by plant louse.
7 Level.
8 Small hole left by snailpox.
9 Bone.
10 Crown-like head ornament.
11 Strips of leather with a buckle at the end.
13 Reveals.
17 English money (pl.).
18 To hearken.
21 To instruct.
23 To beseech.
25 Stops.
27 To cause to overflow.
29 Before.
31 Striped cloth made of camel's hair.
34 Humiliates.
36 Identity of anything considered ab-

Airplane Service for Golfers.
New York, April 17.—Golfers kept in New York by business this summer, but desirous of playing their favorite game in Virginia, will have an opportunity to fly to greens of the Yorktown, Va., Country Club. Officers of the Yorktown movement, an organization seeking to preserve historically the landmarks of the ground on which George Washington fought the decisive battle of the American Revolution, have signed a contract for a weekly airplane service between this city and Yorktown. The service, which is scheduled to be inaugurated today, will be maintained by a 12-passenger aircraft of the most modern type. The trip to Yorktown, it is expected, will be made in three hours.

Perfume in Ear Ring



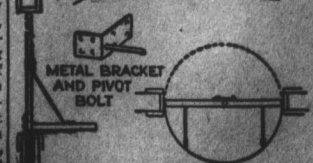
No longer need lady carry her perfume in the overstated vanity cases. Hollywood fashions have decreed a much simpler method, the ring and earring. Jocelyn Lee, film actress, is shown with the "perfume earring," while Eugenia Gilbert carries her perfume in a tiny gold flask concealed within her ring.

What the World Is Doing

As Seen by Popular Mechanics Magazine

Double-Duty Cash Register

In a country hardware store a small radio department was opened and a partition erected to separate this section from the rest of the store. As the owner did not feel justified in purchasing a separate cash register for the new department, he devised the plan illustrated, which made it possible to use one cash register on both sides of the partition. A square section, a little higher and wider than the cash register, was cut out of the partition and the opening finished with casing. The bottom of the opening was deck-high, and a wooden panel was fitted loosely in this opening. A semi-circular shelf was fitted to the panel at the bottom and was supported by two iron-rod braces, as indicated, and a peep-hole, about 3 in. in diameter, was cut through the panel just above the top of the register. This allowed a clerk on one side to see whether or not a clerk on the other side was using the register. A hole was drilled in the center of the bottom casing to hold a socket for a strong pivot bolt, which was welded to a metal bracket, screwed to the panel and shelf as indicated in the detail. This permitted the panel to be swung around freely. It is a good idea to fit a bolt also in the



upper casing to give the arrangement greater stability and permit it to be swung more easily.

Correct Grid Leak in Your Radio Set Is Important

One of the smallest parts that enters into the construction of a radio receiver is the grid leak, and in connection with it the grid condenser. As usual with small details they are given little attention. It will surprise many to know that the volume and clarity of reception depend on the correct value of the grid leak and the grid condenser. The grid current is determined by the number of negative electrons that are attracted to the grid from the filament. The negative charge on the grid sometimes piles up to a point where it practically stops the flow of plate current; the grid leak relieves this situation and frees the imprisoned electrons, preventing the tube from choking. This requires a grid leak of correct value for the tube used.

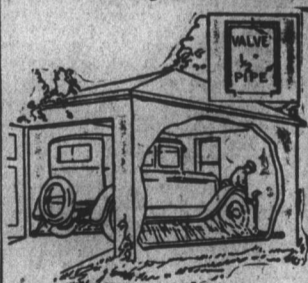
The grid leaks now on the market vary in efficiency; some are correct in value according to their rating, others nearly so, and many are found to be inefficient. When selecting the materials for building your set, always demand the best; this applies especially to grid leaks and grid condensers. Substituting different grid leaks of various resistances in your receiver will often be the means of improving volume and clarity of reception. Each type of tube requires a different type of grid leak and grid condenser. The values of these parts are usually supplied by the manufacturer of the tube, and will be found in the literature accompanying the tube when purchased. A good variable grid leak is recommended by some authorities; another plan is to have several fixed grid leaks varying in value from one to five megohms and you will be able to select the best one on trial.

The variable grid leak is a valuable instrument—if the average user would be content to let it alone once it is adjusted to the best value for the particular tube he is using. Once the leak is properly adjusted it should not be touched unless the tube is changed.

To write black on glass or bright metal, use a mixture of water glass (silicate of soda), 1 to 2 parts, and liquid India ink 10 parts. Clean the surface to be written upon and use a steel pen.

Washing the Car Chassis

More mud and dirt collects under the body on the chassis than anywhere else on the car. A simple and efficient method of removing this is to use a stationary sprinker of the kind shown in the drawing, provided water under pressure is available. It can be installed in any garage having a concrete floor and good drainage, and consists of two lengths of 1/2-in. water pipe, perforated with a number of small holes. The pipes are arranged along the side of the garage and connected to the water supply. The distance between the pipes should be a little greater than the tread of the car so that the spray will strike the underside of the chassis. Thus the water will reach parts that are nearly inaccessible when using a hose.



Cathedral Saved by Diver Working Years in Dark
One of the most heroic accomplishments in the annals of engineering has come to light in the account of a diver who, working single-handed and in almost complete darkness, saved Winchester cathedral in England by renewing its foundations. The task consumed most of five and one-half years and was performed several feet below the surface, in slimy soil and water. The building was foundering because it rested only on an eight-foot layer of wet peat. The diver removed this material in sections, substituting concrete which he himself brought down and laid on a firm stratum of gravel; flint and chalk below the peat formation.

Early Cotton Crop Report

Most of these who criticize the official cotton crop reports on the ground that they are inaccurate, do not seem to understand the difference between a "forecast" made during the growing season and an actual "estimate" of the crop after it is made.

A study of the private reports as well as the government reports, will show that the forecasts made in July and August range higher than they do in October and November. Great changes may take place in the cotton crop during August and September. No one who has any conception of a July or August crop report expects it to be accurate as to the final amount of cotton picked.

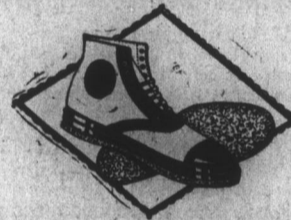
Reports or forecasts in July and August merely claim to state condition of the crop when the field reports are gathered and the probable yield, provided certain assumed conditions exist during the remainder of the season. That there will be variations from any assumed set of conditions is apparent and no one, if he stops to think at all will expect the final crop to pick out in the fall what the actual condition of the crop in July indicates, if these certain assumed conditions do not continue during the remainder of the growing season. Then, why these July and August reports, if they are not and cannot be accurate as to the final crop? The best reason why they are necessary is that the "trade" issue num-

ous private cotton crop reports, and these early official condition reports are necessary to hold in check the biased private reports and prevent more violent fluctuations by unhampered speculation.

We think the early reports are otherwise of sufficient value to justify their issuance, even if there were no private reports, but since we will have the private reports anyway, the official reports are absolutely necessary to protect the growers and legitimate trade from the more complete control of the market by speculators.

In the Boy's Pocket.

Riddlecome riddlecome rocket. What does a small boy carry in his pocket? A recent inventory of a Madison boy's trouser's pockets which were bulging almost to the bursting point with a collection of curious articles and listed as follows: Nine hickory nuts, a motorcycle wrench, a rubber band, a radiator drain plug, a pair of pliers, two ornamental harness rings, a tire valve core, a stick pencil, large button, pair of leather gloves, ditto cotton, a celluloid hairpin, two lead weights for fishing lines, and an illustrated page from a magazine, a United Marine collar ornament, a button from a marine blouse, a leather shoelace, a small stove bolt, a large flat washer, a stove hinge rivet, a ten penny nail, two hinge rivets, a spring from an oscillating magnet.



FOR THE BOYS

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