

# What the World Is Doing

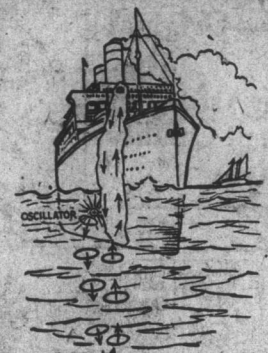
As Seen by Popular Mechanics Magazine

## Forecast of Severe Winter Based on Weather Cycles

Basing his prediction on a study of writings before scientific records were kept as well as the weather reports over a long period, Father Gabriel, the astronomer-priest of France, declares that the winter will be as severe as those of 1533 and 1740. The sun's solar cycle of 74 years, he says, is divided into two periods of 372 years each and four of 186 years. The weather follows these periods, he thinks. He made researches in ancient writings to learn of the seasons before official weather bureaus were established. Other astronomers also have observed that hard winters seem to occur in cycles.

## Echo Sounder Shows Depth under Ship

Adopted first as a somewhat doubtful experiment, the echo method of sounding is reported to have proved



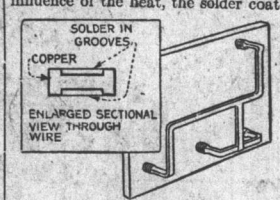
successful on many different kinds of vessels. Big liners like the "Leviathan" and the "Mauretania," as well as small coast-guard ships, are using it regularly, and scientists declare that it has several distinct advantages over older methods, such as increased rapidity, lower operation cost and greater accuracy. The outfit employs no lead or line and consists chiefly of an electric transmitting unit which sends sound vibrations through the water. As they rebound from the ocean's floor, they are registered on a receiver in the ship. The depth of the water is determined by noting the lapse of time between the sending and receiving of the signals. The apparatus is set into operation simply by pressing a button. The results are recorded visually so that the navigator can determine the depth of the water at a glance. When the shell is cracked, the white usually comes out when the egg is boiled. This can be prevented by wrapping the egg in tissue paper. As soon as the paper gets wet it will

## Census of Religions to Show Churches' Gain or Loss

How many men and women in the United States are church members; how many children are enrolled in Sunday schools; the number of ministers; value of church property—these and many other facts are to be gathered next year at the taking of the religious census for the entire country. This is done every decade, just as the general census is taken, years ending in six being chosen for the task. To get the desired information, the government sends out two sets of questionnaires through the census bureau. One calls for data concerning the church itself, and the other relates to the minister, priest or rabbi in charge of each congregation. The report of the last religious census taken in 1916, is available in the larger libraries.

## New Busbar Wire Contains Its Own Solder

A new busbar wire containing its own solder has just made its appearance in England. The wire is of the tinned-copper type familiar to all radio builders, but on close examination it is found to be drawn in a double T-section, a solder compound being contained in the side grooves, as shown in the enlarged sectional view.



To form a joint, the ends are simply brought together; the point of junction is moistened with a little flux, and a hot iron applied. Under the influence of the heat, the solder coats

## ENTER, LABOR ON WHEELS.

The Pathfinder. Recent years have seen a tremendous growth in the floating flivver population. The harvesting problem in several states was solved this year by auto caravans from the outside. Because harvesting seasons are earlier in some states than in others, many farm hands were able to profitably travel from one place to another. The average vehicle carrying this migration is old and decrepit, but to the wheat farmer, especially, its appearance is warmly welcomed.

However, some states look on the gasoline wanderer as a menace. The department of labor goes so far as to refer to him as a "gasoline bum." For instance, one of his monthly reports says:

"There are enough workers resident in Oregon to harvest all the crops, if properly mobilized. But since so many of the farmers feel that they need a large surplus of floating labor in order to establish a reasonable wage scale, they encourage applicants at the farm gate.

"Result: Oregon has been confronted with the problem of the gasoline bum—the casual laborer who drifts from place to place in an automobile with his family and all his worldly goods therein.

"This floating labor presents not only the problem of his employment but of the education of the children of the family."

Social agencies see little good in the new "Weary Willies." It finds many headed west, begging as they go along. Most of them are without money and in most instances they are accompanied by large families. They enter a community and apply for funds, generally on the plea of sickness. The usual requests, say officials, are for money, gasoline, oil or repairs for cars. Many claim to have left home because of labor conditions. However, proposals to aid them by selling their cars are invariably rejected. Tickets to enable them to return home are almost always refused.

Conditions have become so bad that Little Rock, Ark., one bright spot on the main trek, is setting an example by refusing to give the self-styled flivver tourists' money or gasoline to

## GOITRE REMOVED

Titusville Minister's Wife Saved An Operation, Wants Others to Know. Mrs. N. F. Baker, 618 W. Oak St., Titusville, Pa., says "I am doing real missionary work when I tell how my goitre was removed with Sorbol-Quadruple, a stainless liniment. My eyes, heart and nerves were in a bad condition. Felt no ill effects from the treatment. Glad to tell or write my experiences." Sold by leading druggists or write Sorbol Company, Mechanicsburg, Ohio. Locally at Gibson Drug Store.

## EMBARRASSING MOMENTS.

New York Mirror. While standing in a crowded car the other day with my sister, I slyly removed her purse from her pocket intending to tease her about her loss later. A few moments later I asked her for a coin anticipating her discomfiture at finding her purse gone. To my horror, she brought forth her purse. "Worse than all, I couldn't imagine whose pocket I had innocently picked."

While I was in the office last night, it rained very heavily, and I could not find my umbrella in its accustomed place. I searched every office in the building, and was relieved to find it in the President's private office, and wondered how it got there.

I took it home, and next door when I came to the office I heard the President raising a row about the theft of his umbrella. I had a very embarrassing time making my explanation.

I was a floor walker in a department store and was one day asked to assist the window trimmer by bringing a certain wax model to him. I walked up to the model, put my arms around it, lifted it, and walked away with a screaming woman. I was fired.

While riding home in the subway a few evenings ago, I got into conversation with a lady. We discussed the different types of men. I looked at her and said, "Look at that peculiar specimen standing at the door." Imagine my embarrassment when she replied, "That is my husband."

There was a pretty librarian whom I visited occasionally. I grew to like her very much, and increased by visits to the library. One day, while I was reading (or making believe I was) the head librarian saw me and asked, "I notice you here quite often, you must be very fond of reading. How do you like the book you are reading now?" "It is very interesting," I replied. "I never knew anybody that could read a book turned upside down like you have this one," she replied with a smile. I looked at the book and was embarrassed to find that I had the book turned upside down.

I was obliged to stand in a crowded car. A sudden stop and I fell backward on the lap of a man. I arose and apologized. Another jerk and I fell back on his knee again. I was embarrassed when he shouted, "Well, girle, sit here if you want to, but 'stop hopping up and down."

Post and Flag's Cotton Fetter. New York, Nov. 18.—Trading today on the cotton exchange has again been quiet and uninteresting, representing chiefly covering of some short lines and scalping operations. The weekly weather was considered favorable if anything and emphasized the lowering of grades during the past week but not the yield. The market had a good undertone due to trade buying orders on a scale down and reports of an excellent demand for low grade cotton and a strong basis. There was some spot house buying of the near months and the premium of December and January options advanced slightly. Until the government report on Saturday no very wide fluctuations are expected and the market will probably remain a scalping affair primarily.

Boy Hurt at Mooresville. Statesville, Nov. 18.—Clifford Fisher, one of The Charlotte Observer carrier boys at Mooresville, who was run down and injured by a Ford car Sunday, is doing well as could be expected, considering his injuries. Early Sunday afternoon young Fisher, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Fisher, of South Mooresville, was struck by a Ford car driven by Jack Frazier, also of South Mooresville. The little fellow was knocked from his wheel and rendered unconscious. He was brought here and placed in Long's Sanatorium. An X-ray examination showed that four ribs had been broken.

Because makerei mysteriously appear and disappear, making mackerel fishing fluctuating, the bureau of fisheries will study its movements and migration.

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## Carpets from String Beans

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## Automatic Mail Box Signals Dropping of Letter

Because rural-mail carriers are no longer required to raise the signal flag when they deposit letters in the farmer's roadside box, a southern postmaster has invented a box which automatically signals the arrival of mail and saves useless trips from the home to the box. When the postman inserts the letter through the swivel flap, the lower end of the flap presses a trip which operates springs. They raise the white flag as a signal.

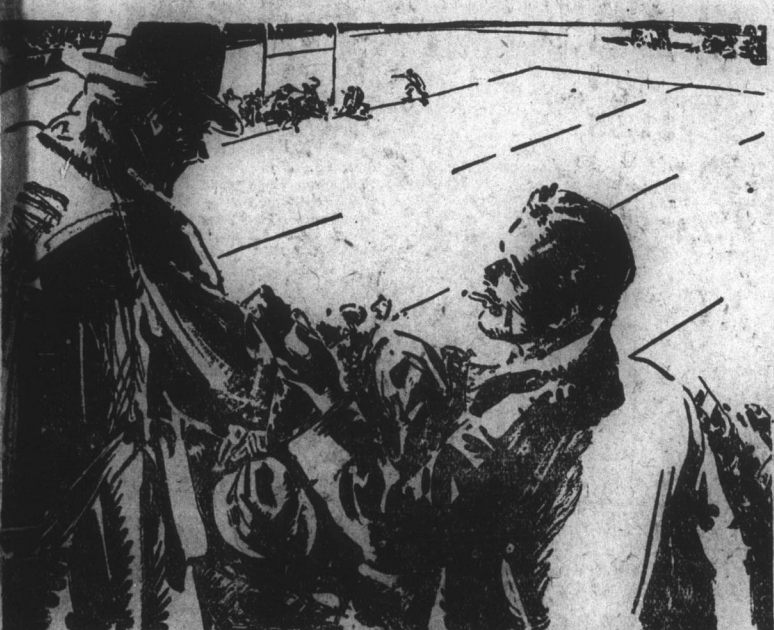
(To use a lathe bed as a substitute for an anvil on small jobs quickly detours its course.)

## LETZER BROTHERS NOT RUSHING CHARGES

Football Practice Light at the North Carolina Camp Yesterday. Chapel Hill, Nov. 18.—Football practice at the Tar Heel camp was light today. With another week to prepare for Virginia the Letzer brothers are not rushing their

charges, and the varsity and second teams were only sent through a long signal drill and topped off the evening with a dummy scrimmage of plays for the Thanksgiving game. The first backfield today lined up with Sparrow, quarter; Bonner and Underwood, at half back and Devin, fullback. In the second quartet Hackney was at quarter, with Young

and Ferrell at the halves and Shuford at full. That gives the Tar Heels two strong backfields and they still have in reserve another good quartet in Cobb, Sides, Izor and Jenkins. Twenty years is the most popular age for marriage among the girls of Japan.



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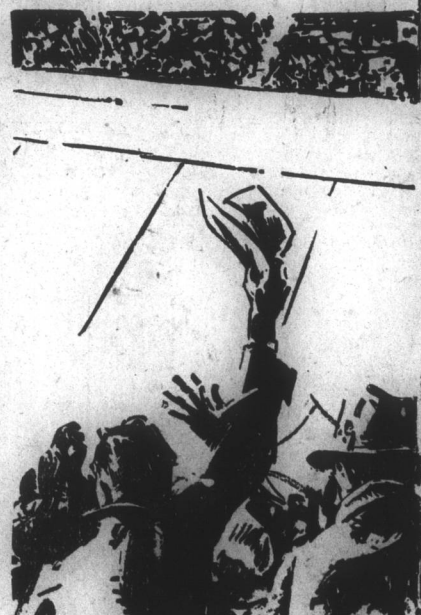
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