

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS—Conducted by Polly Evans

4TH OF JULY BALLOONS

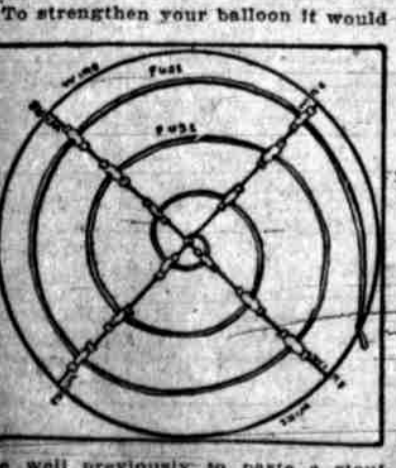
ONCE ballooning is the most fashionable sport among men who can afford the luxury, it is quite fitting that you boys should take to it.



Of course, it must be in the toy fashion, for you have not the "shrink to pay for the thousands of cubic feet of gas with which to fill it."



To fold your heavy paper down the centre lengthwise, making it only about six inches from the fold to the edges.



To strengthen your balloon it would be well previously to paste a stout string along each of the thirteen corners.

Three Beast Princesses

ONCE there were three Princesses more lovely than her sister. This sounds inconsistent and impossible, but it is true, for they were different from one another that each in her own way was indeed lovelier than her sister.

Three Beast Princesses by Velprato



provided her a palace filled with every luxury fit for a queen. After a time, the Queen-mother, who had been left fearful and unhappy at home, had a little son born to her, whom she named Titone.

POLLY EVANS' PUZZLES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

HERE is a puzzle for you. What three authors names are represented in this picture puzzle? All are familiar.



GOOD ANIMAL STORIES

Taught by an Insect

BRUNEL, the famous engineer, was a useful invention. He was in a shipyard one day, watching the movements of an insect known in English as the borer.

Carried by Bees

An interesting experiment has been tried by a well-known naturalist. Having caught a number of bees as they hovered about a hive, he placed them in a light receptacle.



Mr. Hedgehog (to Pincushion)—Good Morning! I Suppose You're a Young Porcupine.

The Largest Loaves

THE largest loaves of bread baked in the world are those of France and Italy. The "pipe" bread of Italy is baked in loaves two feet or three feet long.

Epitaphs on Old Graves

THOUGH the whereabouts of the tomb in which this epitaph was inscribed cannot be found, the inscription itself is too good to remain unquoted.

King's X

LONG, long ago, in the times of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," "Robin Hood," and "Ivanhoe," another fascinating tale, the "King's X," which boys and girls all use so familiarly in their games, had its origin.

The Cicada's Song

Now hold your ears and move away, I'm tuning up for summer today. I must tighten my strings, and stretch out my wings.



SOME MILITARY GAMES

ON THE Fourth of July, you will probably want some military games to play. Here are some for you to pick from.

Literary Love Tale

Who can supply all the well-known titles of books in the following puzzle story? A girl whose name was — (the title of a poem by Whittier) is the heroine of our story.



Game of Press Gang

FOR this jolly game you want about a dozen boys, one to represent an officer, half a dozen to represent the marines, and the rest to represent victims of the press-gang.

Game of Dancing Bear

A PLAYER, who does not mind going over with a shawl, which, provided he cannot see through it, should otherwise be light. He is the bear, and his keeper leads him about at the end of a rope fastened round his arms and body.

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Answers to June 17 Puzzles

- Hidden Cities. 1. Ithaca. 2. St. Augustine. 3. New York. 4. Chicago. 5. Buffalo. 6. Duluth. 7. Denver. 8. Cleveland. 9. Rome. 10. Paris. 11. Albany. 12. Salem.
- Conundrums. 1. A carriage wheel. 2. Because it is fatigued and full of nonsense. 3. Because he is set on at night and taken in the morning. 4. Because it is based on one side, tall on the other. 5. Because he finds prophet (profit) in water. 6. Because it is based on one side, tall on the other. 7. Merely a difference in time—one has feeling; the other has faith. 8. Right was (like) the man of sin (signs). 9. Right was (like) the man of sin (signs). 10. To keep off the chaps.
- Mixed Cakes. 1. Plum. 2. Seed. 3. Genoa. 4. Tania. 5. Coconut. 6. Cherry. 7. Pound.
- Missing Letter Proverb. Faint heart o'er won fair lady.
- Anagrams. 1. Chester. 2. Avon. 3. Tiber. 4. Moscow.
- Buried Cities. 1. Lisbon. 2. Madrid. 3. Paris.