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THE BUMBLE-BEE AIRPLANE

Two French business men have offered a prize of \$100,000 to the man who invents the first airplane that will rise and land vertically. This will stimulate inventive effort in the direction of the most obvious need and the next necessary step in aviation.

The other big problems seem to have been worked out pretty well. Engines have reached a high degree of lightness, dependability and speed. Planes have been fashioned admirably for lightness, strength and small wind-resistance. The steering is under good control. The craft are wonderfully efficient when in the air, under way. The big difficulty is in starting and stopping. Nearly all the accidents occur in rising from the ground or alighting. Present methods require a big, smooth field for that purpose, and the present range of flight is limited by the lack of terminals having such facilities.

Now, the idea is to turn out an airplane that will act, for all the world like a bumble-bee. Who has not seen that natural aviator, when ready to set out for home, rise straight up in the air, pause a moment to get his bearings, and then shoot off, straight as an arrow, for his destination? He can drop in the same way when he wants to.

With an airplane equipped with bumblebee wings or with some kind of propeller that would lift straight upward, in addition to the usual forward push or pull, what would be left to hinder any citizen from keeping a flivver-plane in his back yard, and using it as he now uses his automobile?

There would be airplane garages—or hangers, if you prefer—with doors on top. Mr. Tired Business Man would fly home from the office, hover over the hanger an instant, then settle into it like a bee into a flower or a swallow into a chimney, and the roof would close over the air car for the night.

RE-EMPLOYMENT FOR SOLDIERS

The problem of employment of ex-service men has entered a new phase. A great many returned soldiers got work just as soon as they could after they reached home. They took any job that offered, frequently temporary positions. These men are now seeking regular employment.

According to a California paper the western states are finding this re-employment of the service men a real problem. Major-General William G. Haan, head of the service and information branch of the War Department, in charge of soldier employment, recently completed a survey and made public a report of the situation in the West. In San Francisco alone 5,806 men had applied for new jobs. Most of these have already been placed. At Oakland over 3,000 men registered for work, and 2,819 of them have been placed. There are similar figures for other cities.

The American Legion is helping in the placing of these men. The war camp community service is continuing its efforts in some localities. It is a problem which other cities and sections will undoubtedly have to face soon. In view of these facts it is more regrettable than ever that the federal employment service was compelled to close its doors even temporarily.

There is a vast amount of work to be done in this country, and there are workers to do it. Getting these two elements together and keeping them in happy cooperation is one of the nation's first great tasks.

"SOVIET AMERICA"

Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, the two most notorious Anarchists infesting this country, are shut up on Ellis Island awaiting deportation. It is believed that they will be sent to Russia.

Both of them say that they expect to return in a few years—to "Soviet America." Berkman says he rather figures

he will come as Russian ambassador, while his partner fancies that she will come back as "an exchange professor in one of the larger universities."

Isn't it a charming prospect? Anarchists are people who pretend to be more intelligent and far-sighted than the rest of mankind. And here are the two foremost representatives of American Anarchism apparently believing that America is destined to go the way of Russia. The fact that they are being kicked out with the enthusiastic approval of 100,000,000 people seems to make no impression on them.

Of course, the federal prohibition commissioner is right about keeping men from drinking hair tonic. Still, if they drink it all up, the barbers couldn't be everlastingly trying to put the stuff on their customers' hair.

Without a Kick in It

Since kicks are unlawful and knockers taboo

By H. & A.

SHE SPOKE THE TRUTH

Sire—I told my girl her hair was dyed. "Tis false," she cried. Now, how am I to know?—Press C. Dhent.
"Hon. Sir," began our new Jap Obsequ. Two-Thirder, "may I probe how lengthy a time you will upkeep Hon. colyum?"
"How long can a man live without brains?" we answered, priding ourselves on befuddling the poor Oriental.

"How Hon. old are you?" And the O. T. T. fled.

LADIES!

Our New Today Ad:
FOR SALE—My wife having left my bed and board, I have 8 barrels false hair, mostly blonde, that will sell to the highest bidder. Address Care Dry Colyum, Democrat.

WAIT JUST A MINUTE, PLEASE

Wait till the snow melts, Sallie, And the rain comes pelting down; We will go fussing, Sallie, D-o-n-t you grown.
Down Lovers' Lane we'll rush off, Dearest Sallie, just we two; Wait till this snow is slushed off— D-o-n-t boo-hoo.

—N. Koe Herent.

POEM

By Heck

I would I were
A rosy Ap,
And Nanny dear
Would eat me;
Those teeth of her'd
Get a chap;
For husky cow
Is Nan-ney.

—Thanks, Heck.

FARE YE WELL, \$8.97

A popular Albany jurist, 'tis said, left his umbrella in a hat rack at a hotel while in Corvallis. Fearing thieves, he attached the following card: "The man who owns this umbrella strikes a 250-lb. blow and will be back in 15 minutes." A tramp took it and left this note: "The man who has taken the thundershoot walks 10 miles an hour, strikes a 300-lb. blow and won't be back at all."

DAILY DISTURBER

The most disturbing memory a fellow has at this time of year when the girls go wrapped up tight, is of the time when some other fellow was teaching his girl how to swim last summer.

KEEP WARM ON ICE

FOR SALE—Pair of ice skates and electric heater.—Oregonian.
"Where are you, dear?" called Mrs. Flatdwell.
"Quite cozy in the icebox, love."

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

Build Him a House—

Unless a home can be found in the city within the next few days, Roseburg stands likely to lose one of its substantial families, according to Secretary C. S. Heinline, of the Chamber of Commerce, this morning.—Roseburg Review.

Mudd Still With Us—

We are happy to learn that F. H. Mudd is recovering nicely after his operation at the hospital, fettercates the Astoria Budget. Mr. Mudd evidently had no doubt as to whether he could pull through all right because he paid his subscription to the Budget six months in advance the day before he went to the hospital.

The First Result—

Germany, heartened by the defeat of the peace treaty and League of Nations covenant on the ground that we cannot trust our allies to play fair, seems determined to oppose enforcement of the provisions of the treaty. This is the first definite result of Lodge's policy, and it may result in a renewal of the war, says the Guard.

What a Question—

"As the result of an investment of less than one dollar for advertising in the Itemizer a Dallas real estate dealer sold two farms, netting him commissions totaling several hundred dollars. Does it pay to advertise in the Itemizer?"

Attention Thieves—

Convict a man of horse stealing and he is sent to the penitentiary for one or more years. Convicted of stealing an automobile, worth several horses, a small fine or a few months in jail (which are then remitted or paroled) is the sentence. Our laws need fixing in some way, the Selo Tribune thinks.

Houses Needed—

A company is being organized in Salem for the purpose of building residences which can be either rented or sold on the easy payment plan. A building and loan association would be a mighty good thing for McMinnville, the Register thinks. The establishment of a canery and packing establishment here will create a greater demand than ever before for houses.

Man and Beast—

Arthur Cole is a victim of the Times' balky gasoline engine. He kindly responded to a call to try to tame the beast last Tuesday and a crank flew off the crankly thing and hit him in the mouth, knocking out two of as fine a set of teeth as ever a man wore.—Brownsville Times.

Do Not Open Until Xmas—

Mail your Christmas parcels early to insure their arrival by Christmas, the Tribune advises. With coal shortage and snow storms, trains will be delayed, consequently mails will travel slowly.

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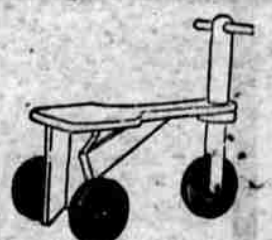
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