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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry. Members of military bands, though they don't need them, are equipped with six-shooters, as part of their dress.

A crisis in Mexico bobs up like a bolt from the blue, and of a second order. It seems to have been homebrewed.

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SOMEBODY BLUNDERED.

THE REPLY of President Calles to Secretary of State Kellogg is an amazing document. Less severe language in diplomatic notes of the past have been the cause of war.

Fortunately, however, the reply is not a diplomatic note, and therefore, according to diplomatic precedent, has no official standing.

President Calles sent no official communication to Washington, but gave vent to his wrath in the Mexican newspapers. President Coolidge will therefore be at liberty to ignore the outburst.

It is doubtful, however if the incident can be passed over without some satisfactory explanation from the Mexican government. The Mexican reply was undoubtedly intended for home consumption.

As the matter now stands, Secretary Kellogg is convicted of having made a serious diplomatic blunder. As his note was delivered after a conference with a United States representative from Mexico City, it was assumed that an understanding with Mexico had been reached, and the contents of the note had been mutually agreed upon.

GUNLESS GOLD RUSH.

DISARMAMENT has got around to gold-prospecting. There is a gold stampede to the Cassiar district, in northern British Columbia, but it is far different from the historic rushes to California and the Klondike.

So, little by little, civilization encroaches upon the open spaces and the wilds grow tame. It is a wholesome example of social evolution—if such a questionable word may be used without reproach in this fundamentalist age.

Now if our criminal population could only be persuaded to look for its gold up in British Columbia, one of the leading American problems would be solved.

QUILL POINTS

To whom Nature gives few charms she gives a militant modesty to conceal their poverty.

We hope the census of insects won't overlook the one who blames his wife for his failure.

Dreamer: One who thinks the rose has no thorns. Cynic: The same dreamer after the inevitable happens.

Most of the world's big jobs are held by men who couldn't make a two-ball combination in a side pocket.

Love is a gentle passion that enables a girl to forget how nasty dishwater feels.

Nothing is perfect. When there is rain enough to keep the lawn green, the darned thing needs cutting offener.

Civic pride: Being chesty about a great population, composed of people that afford little reason for pride.

In another hundred years civilization will have reached all peoples except those that have no resources worth stealing.

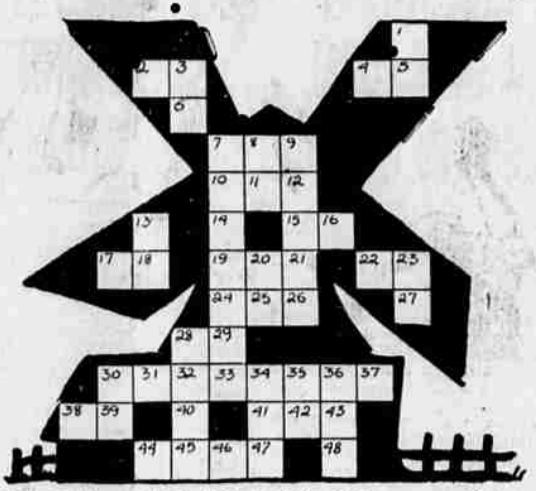
Americanism: Feeling competent to handle the whole country: Wondering desperately how to handle the children.

Correct this sentence: "I'm not a thief, anything of the kind," said he; "I meant to pay it back when I made a killing."

Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason. THE STORYTELLER.

A MILLION fiction fans were staggered when o'er the ocean wild and wide, there came the news that Rider Haggard had laid his trusty pen aside.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE STORY, TULIP LAND



This 35-42 a 30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37, 20-25 you see. 2-3 we may pretend 30-39 are in 7-10-14-19-24-29-33.

22-23 you know lots 23-27 our tulip bulbs come from Holland? We do not plant tulip 9-12-15-21-26 like sweet-pea and poppy seed.

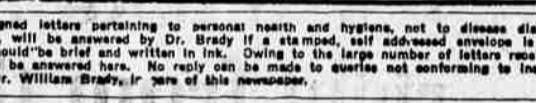
Brother 15-16 said if he were I he would 13-18 wild to 4-5 to Holland. I said I was not 34-41-47 about going as I must go 3-6 business.

I walked 28-32-40-45 the stables yesterday and found our hired-man, 41-42-43, in an awfully gloomy 44-45-46-47. He said he would have 1-5 more to do with that balky 24-25-26 of ours.

Answer To Last Puzzle: 1-2 (O, O), 7-10-11-13-15-19 (dragon), 8-9-10 (sir), 15-16-17-18 (one's), 11-12 (am), 13-14 (so), 2-4-6 (old), 3-4-5 (By), 19-20-21 (nod), 17-21 (Ed), 12-14-26-20 (mono), 1-3 (of).

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Personal Health Service By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D. Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed.



Does Cold Lower Resistance.

When Pasteur succeeded in inoculating hens with anthrax after their temperature had been brought down to about that of sheep and other mammals by means of a cold bath, he

answered that the natural higher temperature of fowls has something to do with their immunity to anthrax, which is so fatal to sheep, cattle and sometimes man.

In recent years those old fogey physicians and unlearned health officers who still uphold the quaint notion that exposure to cold or wet lowers one's resistance to the respiratory infections

which they vaguely call "colds," have been rather anxiously endeavoring to find some actual scientific evidence to support their absurd position.

They have combed the medical literature of the world in search of crumbs of comfort for themselves and further confusion for laymen who heed their teachings, and the net result of all this effort is of course nothing of consequence.

The one little find they have made the most noise about, I think, is the record of some experiments conducted by Drs. J. A. Miller and W. C. Noble under the auspices of the New York state ventilation commission

(whose massive report was published a few years ago) to determine whether change of temperature had any influence on an infection in the respiratory tract of rabbits.

These research experts kept two groups of 37 rabbits each in a temperature of from 63 to 90 degrees F. for periods of from one day to one week. Then all of the rabbits were inoculated by spraying their throats with a small quantity of a live culture of bacillus bovissepticus, a germ which commonly causes a kind of snuffles in animals, but produces no disease in man.

Immediately after the inoculation, one group of 37 rabbits was subjected to exposure to our door temperature of from 26 to 58 degrees F. for periods of from half an hour to three hours, and besides their fur was wet with water at about the body temperature. The other group of 37 inoculated rabbits was kept indoors as before.

The result of the experiment was that 15 of the 37 rabbits inoculated and then exposed to cold and wet developed snuffles, while only nine of the 37 rabbits inoculated and not exposed to cold or wet developed snuffles.

The conclusion reached was that infection of rabbits with snuffles is favored by keeping them quite warm for a time and then subjecting them to chilling. This conclusion would be more acceptable if nine of the rabbits that were kept warm after the inoculation had not been so inconsiderate as to develop the disease just as though they had been chilled.

But even if we can accept such an experiment as at all conclusive, it doesn't apply to human beings, nor to the infections of the human respiratory tract.

Such equivocal evidence is the best the standpatters have been able to deduce in support of this absurd position. The poor old fogies probably did not foresee what a predicament they were to get into when they undertook this impossible straddle.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. To Avoid Bunions. I am quite sure that I am getting a bunion, although it does not hurt. I wear a 6-AA shoe and am very comfortable in them.

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Abe Martin



Art Parviance, who narrowly missed killing a score of pedestrians last week while speedin' wuz dismissed in Squire Marsh Swallow's court today, upon promise to do better 'n' next time.

Timely Views on World Topics. "Russia Is Source of Universal Evil" Declares Grand Duke's Spokesman.

"At the present moment Russia is the source of universal evil, from which poison spreads all over the world," The Grand Duke Nicholas, second cousin of

olias, second cousin olias, is ready to lead the Russian people to throw off the shackles of the Soviet government and its masters in the Communist International.

He is well informed as to affairs in Russia, where the climax is rapidly approaching. There is no quarrel between the Grand Duke Nicholas and the Grand Duke Cyril—merely a difference of opinion.

This difference is fundamental. The Grand Duke Cyril considers it is possible to re-establish government in Russia from the outside and without the aid of the Russian people; the Grand Duke Nicholas does not, and believes, moreover, that by having himself proclaimed emperor by a few friends by holding a miniature court, etc., the Grand Duke Cyril is seriously injuring the Russian cause, which is simply to free the majority from the minority oppressors.

So declares General Alexander Lukomsky, who was head of the czar's mobilization at the beginning of the world war, then aide-de-camp to the Grand Duke Nicholas as long as the latter was commander-in-chief of the Russian armies in the field, then chief of staff to General A. A. Brusiloff in his famous offensive against the Austrians in June and July, 1916.

During the first year of the war he occupied magnificent apartments in the ministry of war at Petrograd. Now, with his family dispersed and each member earning his or her own living, he is in New York attending to some private matters for the Grand Duke Nicholas.

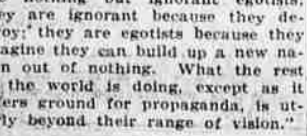
Soviet and Outside World. "The Soviet, which is merely the stow-away of the Communists, is a bid for Russia as it is for the world outside. The world needs Russia, Russia needs the world, but on account of the present situation in Russia no arrangement can be made.

I hear the same story everywhere; in Japan as well as in Germany. Cupidity is often the last step of faith. I find that crop growing extremely weak abroad. And what is now happening abroad happened just after the Terror in Russia itself.

"At first the people in Russia had faith; now they have none. They see a band of cut-throats running their beloved country but do not know how to get rid of them. The chief reason is that they have no machinery to work with. It is ridiculous to suppose that these men at the head of affairs at Moscow are intelligent although mistaken. They are nothing but ignorant egotists; they are egotists because they destroy; they are egotists because they imagine they can build up a new nation out of nothing. What the rest of the world is doing, except as it offers ground for propaganda, is utterly beyond their range of vision."

Who's Who. Sir Edward Grigg. The appointment of Sir Edward Grigg to the \$30,000 a year governorship of the Kenya colony and of the East African Protectorate in the place of the late Sir Robert Coryndon, is one which is likely to excite some interest on this side of the Atlantic.

For Sir Edward will be remembered in America as having been attached to the staff of the Prince of Wales as his military secretary when he came over here in 1919, afterward accompanying him to Australia and to New Zealand. On the prince's return home, Grigg's connection with the royal household was severed and he became the principal private secretary of the then Premier David Lloyd George.



Poems That Live. The Last Time I Came O'er the Moor. The last time I came o'er the moor, And left Maria's dwelling, What throes, what tortures passing cure,

Were in my bosom swelling; Condemned to see my rival's reign While I in secret languish; To feel a fire in every vein, Yet dare not speak my anguish.

Love's veriest wretch, despairing, I Pain, faint, my crime would cover; Th' unweaving groan, the burning sigh,

Betray the guilty lover, I know my doom must be despair, Thou wilt not cast relieve me; But oh, Maria, hear my prayer, For pit's sake give me!

The music of thy tongue I heard, Nor wilt while it enslaved me; I saw thine eyes, yet nothing fear'd, Thy love not mo' had saved me; Thy cheek, thy smiling torrent gleaming, Mid circling horrors yields at last To overwhelming ruin.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle

HOW TO SOLVE PUZZLE. The words start in the numbered squares and run either across or down. Only one letter is placed in each white square.

Running Across. Word 1. In the picture. Word 6. Grief; misery. Word 7. The state in which President Coolidge was.

Word 8. In the middle of. "The regiment found itself" two words. Word 13. The name of the great Confederate general who succeeded to Gen. Grant.

Word 14. The place where something written has been erased. Running Down. Word 1. worthy of love. "She was a child."

Word 2. A metal rod. Word 3. A number. Word 4. A contraction of even, used much in poetry.

Word 5. The body of retainers who follow a person of high rank. Its synonym is "suite." Word 8. To cut down with a scythe.

Word 10. A contraction of ever. Word 11. A beverage. Word 12. An Australian out-riar. You may have to get out your encyclopedia for this one.

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