

# IS CIVILIZATION BUNK?

**PROMINENT AUTHOR SHAKES ACCEPTED NOTIONS AND CONVENTIONS**

**THE OUTLINE OF BUNK.** By E. Haldeman-Julius. Published by the Stratford Company, 234-240 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. 501 pp. Price \$4.00.

**W**HAT is Bunk? What is a debunker? Is religion an asset or a liability of modern civilization? How much of politics is bunk and how much is of value



Mr. E. Haldeman-Julius at work

to the masses of people? What mistakes are being made in our civilization and how can they be corrected? Are the present standards in sex and morals correct? In what direction are the present tendencies of modern conventions going? Is public opinion bunk?

All of these and several other questions are raised in the mind of the reader as he scans the pages of this prominent author's new book. The new tendency is towards those books which invite the reader to think for himself. The old books with cut and dried solutions for all modern evils are fast disappearing. No book represents the new trend in bookreading more than *The Outline of Bunk*. It stimulates thought. It helps you to decide for yourself whether you will accept everything dished out from the antiquated desks of old "fogies" bent on retarding the intellectual growth of the masses of people.

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man has been dominated by various kinds of rubbish thrust on him by power and superstitious traditions.

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A whole chapter is devoted to the super-bunk shooters (as the author chooses to call them) of the age. He names here any number of people who are frequently classed as the intellectual heavyweights of America. His searching and penetrating analysis of their pet-phrases and favorite "whoopie" theories is not

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