

"Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.

The Kindest Cut of All

Republican Administration Reducing Taxes

President Coolidge, who is supposed to be vacationing at White Court, near Swampscott, Mass., is living up to the well-merited reputation he has earned as the silent worker. The man of few words is keeping in close touch with the affairs of the nation. He is in almost daily conference with members of his cabinet and the leaders of the republican party. With the many other stupendous problems Mr. Coolidge has had under consideration at his Massachusetts retreat, the budget for 1927 is the one closest to the president's aim. Budget Director Lord yesterday submitted his report making a requisition of congress for an appropriation of \$3,080,000,000 for Uncle Sam's expenses in the ensuing year. If these figures are accepted by our law makers it means a reduction of near \$350,000,000 in federal taxes.

The income tax, surtaxes, corporation taxes, estate taxes comprise an inexhaustible subject, and it is known that Mr. Coolidge's goal has been to reduce them to a basis that will be compatible with the interests of this country.

Mr. Coolidge's attitude on tax reduction fits in with the slogan of republican leaders who are aligning themselves adhesively to the president's plan of "back to normalcy."

A Democracy Must Have Contented Citizens As A Basis Of Security

The immigrations upon the Pacific coast of the Chinese and Japanese were similar in origin and in effect to the immigrations on the Atlantic coast. One great difference was that these immigrations brought with them the question of race to which the Americans were particularly sensitive because of their historical background. The instinctive fears of race mixtures must be understood by all who would appreciate the present situation.

In this attitude of Americans towards race mixtures the question of the inferiority of one race or the superiority of another is not primarily involved. The attitude depends upon the fear of the birth of children and the development thereby of citizens who are misplaced socially, unhappy and inevitable sources of social dissatisfaction and discontent.

The understanding that a democracy must have contented citizens as a basis of security is an instinct developed by the people of the United States.

It Was Not The Purpose Or Intent Of The Sherman Anti-Trust Law

It was not the purpose or the intent of the Sherman anti-trust law to inhibit the intelligent conduct of business operations, nor do we conceive that its purpose was to suppress such influence as might affect the operations of interstate commerce through the application to them of the individual intelligence of those engaged in commerce, enlightened by accurate information as to the essential elements of the economics of a trade or business, however gathered or disseminated. . . . Trade associations or combinations of persons or corporations which openly and fairly gather and disseminate information as to the cost of their product, the volume of production, the actual price which the product has brought in past transactions, stocks of merchandise on hand, approximate cost of transportation from the principal point of shipment to the point of consumption, as did these defendants, and who, as they did, meet and discuss such information and statistics, without, however, reaching or attempting to reach any agreement or any concerted action with respect to prices or production or restraining competition, do not thereby engage in unlawful restraint of commerce.—Justice Stone.

New York city has taken a plunge into a democratic mud-slinging mayoralty race. John Hylan, incumbent, and State Assemblyman Walker, father of Gotham's present boxing law, are exchanging compliments.

The whole trend of the lumber market appears to be upward, judging from reports submitted by mills all over our country.

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The Best of Advice

By CLARK KINNAIRD

WHEN A NARROW MIND IS A VIRTUE

When we label men "narrow-minded" we do so contemptuously; yet there is a narrow-mindedness that is a virtue.

The human mind is essentially impartial.

Unless it narrows its point of view, what little strength it has is dispersed, and it loses its way altogether.

Breadth of brain has very little to do with a man's capacity for wise reflection; infinitely more important is his ability to CONCENTRATE.

The human mind can be efficient at all only by PICKING OUT what to attend to and ignoring everything else—by narrowing the point of view.

William James, in subscribing to this opinion, decided that it is a necessity laid upon us as human beings to limit our view.

"In mathematics we know how this method of ignoring and neglecting qualities lying outside of a certain range has been adopted in the differential calculus. The calculator throws out all the 'infinitesimals' of the quantities he is considering. He treats them (under certain rules) as if they did not exist.

"Just so an astronomer, in dealing with the tidal movements of the ocean, takes no account of the waves made by the wind, or by the pressure of all the steamers which day and night are moving their thousands of tons upon its surface.

"Just so the rifleman, in sighting his rifle, allows for the motion of the wind, but not for the equally real motion of the earth and solar system.

"Just so a business man's punctuality may overlook an error of five minutes, while a physicist, measuring the velocity of light, must count each thousandth of a second."

Spun monkey hair holds the settings securely in jewelry, invented by a German.

The stem of a new tobacco pipe can be taken apart along its length for cleansing.

An oil extracted from locusts is being used to lubricate watches in South Africa.

To facilitate handling spark plugs, a wrench with a swivel handle has been invented.

Most of Sweden's sawmills are operated electrically with power obtained from waterfalls.

A new tea caddy measures and ejects a teaspoonful of its contents each time it is inverted.

One of the strongest tannins used in leather manufacture is obtained from the caps of acorns of Greek oak trees.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



Running Across.
Word 1. What did Tom, the Piper's son, steal?
Word 2. A common fruit.
Word 4. A beam of light.

Running Down.
Word 1. The man the children all followed out of Hamelin in the Pigeon.
Word 2. A little valley or gorge usually made by running water.

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE ANSWERED.



Dinner Stories

While the train was waiting on side track down in Georgia, one of the passengers walked over to a cabin near the track, in front of which sat a cracker dog, howling. The passenger asked a native why the dog was howling.

"Hook worm," said the native.

"He's lazy."

"But," said the stranger, "I was not aware that the hookworm is painful."

"Taint," responded the garrulous native.

"Why, then," the stranger queried, "should the dog howl?"

"Lazy."

"But why does laziness make him howl?"

"Wal," said the Georgian, "that blame fool dawg is sittin' on a sand-bur, an' he's too farnation lazy to get off, so he jes' sets thar an' howls 'cause it hurts."

"How's times?" inquired a tourist.

"Oh, pretty tolerable," responded the old native, who was sitting on a stump. "I had some trees to cut down, but a cyclone come along and saved me the trouble."

"Fine."

"Yes, and then the lightning set fire to the brush pile and saved me the trouble of burnin' it."

"Remarkable. But what are you going to do now?"

"Oh, nothin' much. Just waitin' for an earthquake to come along an' shake the potatoes out of the ground."

The picnickers were obliged to cross a railroad track in reaching the place where they were to have lunch, and little Bobby, going ahead, saw a train approaching. Eagerly he shouted to his father, who was still on the track: "Horry, daddy, or else give me the lunch."

American interests have opened an artificial silk factory in the federal district of Mexico.

A process has been developed for making coarse papers from fibrous peat instead of wood pulp.

An attachment for an alarm clock to shut off the gas in a range at a set time is a French invention.

Heart and Home Problem

By MRS. ELIZABETH THOMPSON

What Boys Think About Kissing

Scores of opinions regarding kissing have come to me from column readers whose interest has been stirred by recent letters on the subject. They answer, about as well as ever will be, the question, "What do boys think about kissing?"

One who signs himself INNOCENT writes:

Dear Mrs. Thompson: My age is 15 years, and have had considerable experience with girls and have learned to know them quite well. I have no respect for any one who keeps the fast sort of company, but like to see boys and girls enjoy themselves together. There are very few girls that will refuse being kissed, especially so after they have become acquainted. I believe the reason for this is their fear of being called slow by both sexes. I am not against kissing, but there are some people that really make a practice of it and in such a case it is entirely wrong. A boy should not kiss a girl the first time he is with her, because it will tend to become a habit between them. In my estimation it is not a very good habit to form, because it really takes away all the enjoyment that boys and girls should have together. I will admit that I have kissed girls but it is up to the boy to know and to use his own judgment in that regard. There is no one that should be called slow if they do not perform this one act. It always becomes tiresome and it puts an end to all the fun.

INNOCENT.

My limited space prevents me from publishing all of the interesting letters from young men. But these views are typical:

"So many girls between the ages of 14 and 17 write you that they are in love and ask advice on subjects related thereto that it often occurs to me that what these girls really need is not advice in these matters but the old-fashioned woodshed treatment with a shingle."—J. H.

"SPECTATOR" has never had the kiss, should be miserable.

being a good specimen chosen few kiss him.

"I respect the girl who can enjoy a relationship without kissing."—L. M.

"I envy SPECTATOR of his kind. The men and the one day experience comes from clean for the same day be the mother of their children."

"The average seeks loveless relations."—R. T. W.

"I am a boy of prefer a girl who kissed a thousand times."

"The girls are who couldn't do something."—SPECTATOR

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If you don't have worry—some time soon have it.

Don't kick a man find out whether he's tired.

Some people may loud talk make a ment.

If a railway man paid according to fool questions he it would keep his salary.

The well-dressed only man who on wife's work by top.

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STEP-WORD PUZZLE

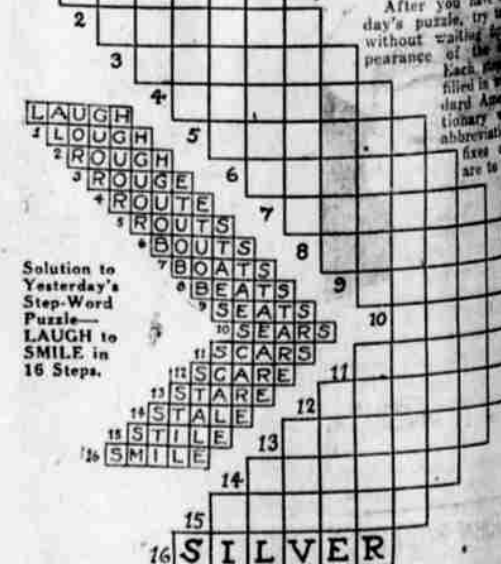
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By ARTHUR WYNNE,

Originator of the Modern Cross-Word Puzzle

Can you change COPPER into SILVER in 16 steps, one letter on each step and substituting a new letter to form a word corresponding to the definition given below? Six-letter puzzles are harder to compose and harder to solve than five-letter puzzles, but with the aid of the definitions you should be able to master this one. The solution will be given tomorrow, together with a new puzzle, APPLE TO PEACH.



- Solution to Yesterday's Step-Word Puzzle—LAUGH to SMILE in 16 Steps.
- After you have solved today's puzzle, try to solve the puzzle without waiting for the appearance of the next puzzle. Each puzzle is filled in a standard American dictionary. The abbreviations are fixed and are to be used as follows:
- 1—A maker of barrels
 - 2—Not so warm
 - 3—Moderated in temperature
 - 4—Fried, boiled or baked
 - 5—Bottled up
 - 6—Loaded down with care or worry
 - 7—Conveyed in a cart
 - 8—A teamster
 - 9—One who assigns parts to actors
 - 10—More quickly
 - 11—To hesitate
 - 12—A trout ascending a stream from salt water
 - 13—Preserved with salt
 - 14—Saved from loss at sea
 - 15—A silver tray